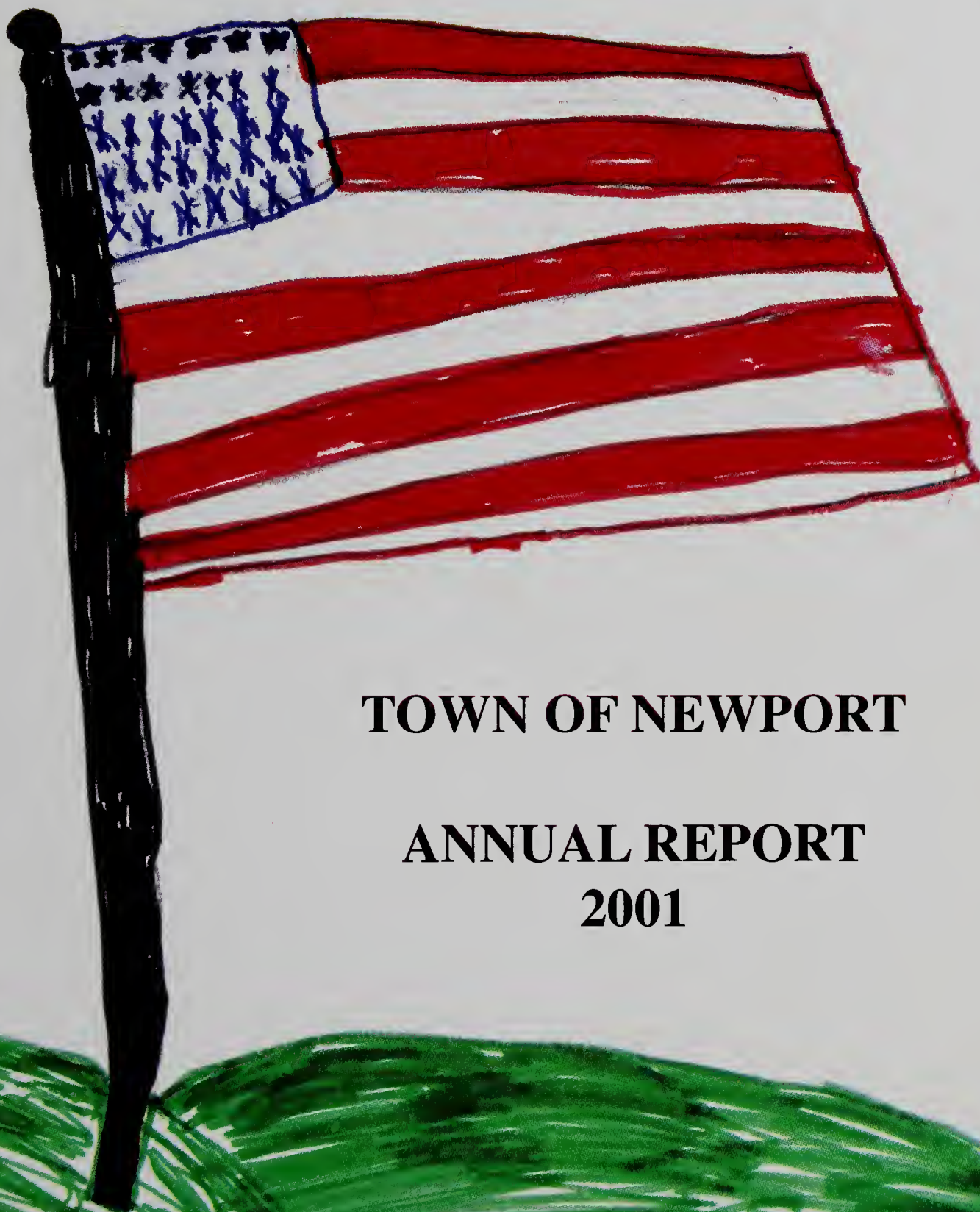


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Lisa M. Pitkin, Editor

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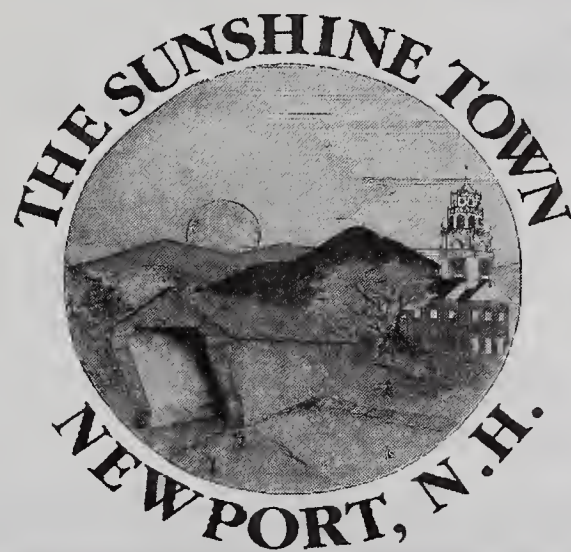


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**IN DEDICATION  
TO  
EVA SPANOS  
1927-2002**



Eva Spanos with Icabod, 1976.  
Eagle Times File Photo

Eva Marie Spanos of Hatch Avenue, who died March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2002, at age 75, was remembered for her kindness and devotion to Newport, where she lived for most of her life. Those who knew Spanos, the wife of the late judge and state senator Harry V. Spanos, who died in 1995, remembered a woman who cared deeply about her community. “She was the kind of person who you could always count on,” said Dianne Rochford, her neighbor for 30 years. “She was a devoted teacher and a friend.”

Spanos was born in Keene, N.H., but was raised in Newport. She graduated from Towle High School and Syracuse University. After working for local newspapers for several years, Spanos became a teacher at Newport High School, where she spent 27 years. Ted Niboli remembers Spanos’ intellect. “She was very bright and very articulate.” Niboli said. “She could speak better than anyone I ever heard.” Niboli also remembered Spanos as a devoted wife and mother. “She loved her family. Her husband and her boys were her life. She would do anything for them,” he said.

Spanos was active in the Newport Opera House Association and even though she had been ill most of the past year, wanted to continue helping, Selectman Betty Maiola said. "Eva was a very active and involved person," Maiola said. "The whole town will be saddened to hear she passed away." Maiola and Rochford recalled her generosity when the Recreation Department needed a pool to teach swimming lessons. "She opened her own pool so the kids could have a place to take their lessons," Rochford said. Rochford also remembered Spanos' love of cooking. "She was a wonderful cook and learned to do a lot of Greek recipes," she said, recalling that her husband was Greek. Niboli remembered her talent for a lemon chicken dill soup, using the dill that he grew. "We were like a big family," he said. Maiola called Spanos a "great lady and an excellent teacher and mentor to our children."

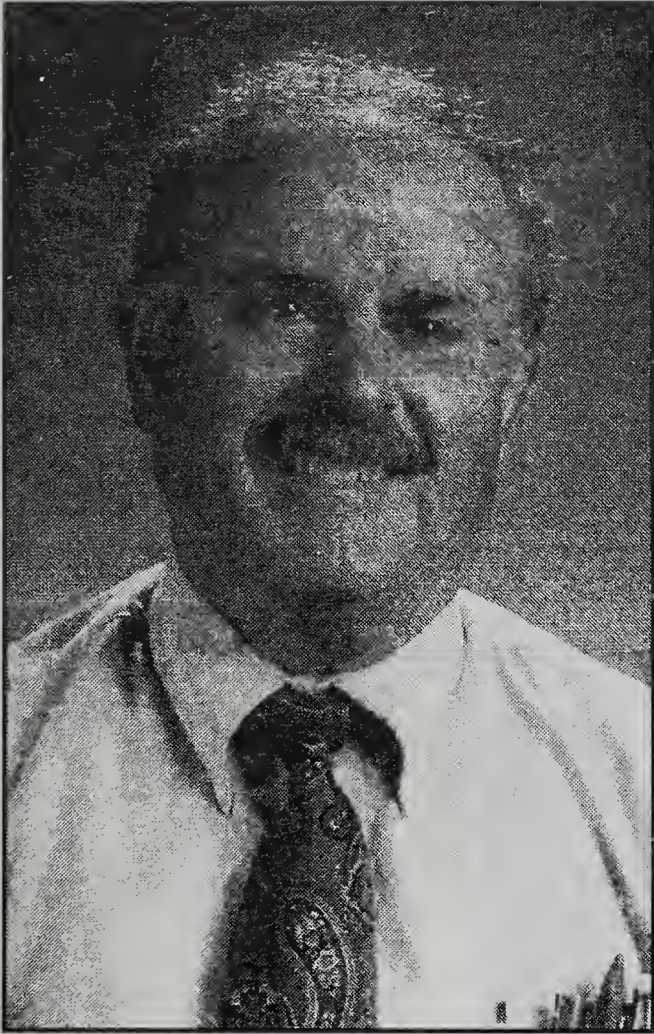
Spanos retired from teaching in the 1980's but remained active in the schools. Former superintendent of schools Gordon Flint said Spanos was an excellent English teacher who worked well with staff and students and had an influence beyond the school building. "She was a good community person," Flint said. Flint's daughter-in-law, Sandra Flint taught with Spanos for nearly 20 years and for a time right across the hall from her. "Most of all she was a wonderful mother," Flint said. "She always put her children first, driving them all over for basketball games."

Among her survivors are three sons. Timothy of Newport, Peter of New London, and William of Torrance, CA.

**(Courtesy of Patrick O'Grady, Eagle Times)**



**IN DEDICATION  
TO  
MARK G. MOSCONAS  
1940-2001**



Mr. Mosconas was born in Athens, Greece, on March 19, 1940, the son of Gerasimos M. and Chrysoula (Limberis) Mosconas, and lived in Newport since 1953. He was raised and attended school in Greece and Newport. He was a 1961 graduate of Towle High School. He attended and graduated from the University of New Hampshire, majoring in geology. While at UNH he joined the Army ROTC.

After college he joined the Army and served a tour of duty in Vietnam. When he got out of the service he taught school in Belmont, N.H., for 13 years and then moved to Newport and taught in Newport High School for more than 20 years. He was a member of the National Teachers Association and the New Hampshire Science Association. He was a member of the St. Vasilos Greek Orthodox Church in Newport.

Members of his surviving family include his wife, Mary (Demayo) Mosconas of Newport; a son, Gerry Mosconas of Newport; a daughter, Laura Mae Mosconas of Newport; one granddaughter, Fancy Ann Mosconas of Newport.

All in all, people remember a peaceful man who was always ready to help, even driving elderly members of his congregation to church on Sundays. A hard worker, with a sense of mischief and fun, an educator dedicated to his job and a loving father and husband, Mr. Mosconas will be missed by the entire Newport Community.

**(Courtesy of the Argus Champion)**



## **NEWPORT'S 22<sup>nd</sup> BOSTON POST CANE PRESENTED TO FLORENCE BRITTON**

Florence Britton was presented with the Boston Post Cane, honoring the town's oldest resident, by the Newport Board of Selectmen in a small ceremony at Woodlawn Nursing Home in Newport on August 8, 2001.

At 98 years old, Britton is the 22<sup>nd</sup> recipient of Newport's ebony and gold cane, which was presented to her by Selectman Ben Nelson.

Born in Alton on April 13, 1903, she moved to Newport with her husband Rosco and son Jim in 1938 as the family was looking for work. She lived in Newport on Winter Street and Columbus Circle for 63 years and moved to Woodlawn in July.



Ben Nelson hands the  
Boston Post Cane to  
Florence Britton.  
(Paul Howe photo)

Britton was married for 46 years until her husband's death in 1969. In addition to her son Jim and his wife Anna, she has two grandsons, four great-granddaughters, three step grandchildren and two step great-great-grandsons. Her son Jim said, "She is a quiet person," and also a devoted mother to her only child. Jim related a story about getting a letter from his mother every day during his time in Europe during World War II. The letters did not come only when Florence and her husband were in a major car accident that almost took both their lives. The letters resumed when she was able to write again. Other Selectmen present at the cane ceremony were Bev Rodeschin, Betty Maiola, and Jeff Kessler.

"You're the lady of the day," Sandy Burnham, director of social services at Woodlawn, said to Britton.

By Paul Howe, Contributing Writer



**TOWN OF NEWPORT  
GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**Date of Incorporation** ..... **October 6, 1761**

**Total Land Area** ..... **43.6 Square Miles**

**Elevation Above Mean Sea Level**  
**Minimum (On Sugar River at Claremont/Newport Line)** ..... **584 Feet**  
**Maximum (On Unity/Newport Line)** ..... **1,980 Feet**

**U.S. Congressional District** ..... **Second**

**Representatives:**     **Charles Bass**  
                                         **142 No. Main Street, Concord, NH 03301**

**U.S. Senators**             **Robert C. Smith**  
                                         **332 DSOB, Constitution Ave. & First St. NE,**  
                                         **Washington, DC 20510**  
  
                                         **Judd Gregg**  
                                         **(E-mail address: mailbox@gregg.senate.gov)**  
                                         **393 Russell Senate Office Building**  
                                         **Washington, DC 20510**

**Senatorial District** ..... **Eighth**

**State Senator**                     **George F. Disnard**  
                                                 **23 Durham Avenue, Claremont, NH 03743**

**State Representatives:**     **Gordon Flint, Sr.**  
                                                 **21 Lincoln Terrace, Newport, NH 03773**  
                                         **Beverly Rodeschin**  
                                                 **336 Sunapee St., Newport, NH 03773**  
                                         **Peter Franklin**  
                                                 **PO Box 411, Newport, NH 03773**

**District Court** ..... **Newport**  
**Number of Registered Voters** ..... **2,584**  
**Population** ..... **6,269**

<b>2001 Tax Rate:</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>\$10.44</b>
	<b>School</b>	<b>10.55</b>
	<b>County</b>	<b>5.06</b>
	<b>State</b>	<b>6.89</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$32.94</b>

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

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**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

**Term Expires**

Bennie C. Nelson, Chair . . . . .	May, 2004
Jeffrey F. Kesser, Vice Chair . . . . .	May, 2002
Gary E. Nichols . . . . .	May, 2004
Elizabeth W. Maiola . . . . .	May, 2003
Beverly T. Rodeschin . . . . .	May, 2002

**LIBRARY TRUSTEE**

Nancy H. Black . . . . .	May, 2003
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**MODERATOR**

W. Howard Dunn. . . . .	May, 2002
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**SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST**

Pamela J. Hoyt . . . . .	May, 2006
Martha E. Lovely . . . . .	May, 2002
Ella M. Casey . . . . .	May, 2004

**TOWN CLERK**

Karlene W. Stoddard . . . . .	May, 2002
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**TOWN TREASURER**

Jonathan A. Howard . . . . .	May, 2002
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**TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND**

Peter R. Lovely . . . . .	May, 2003
Louise K. Hastings . . . . .	May, 2004
C. Michael Sanderson . . . . .	May, 2002



**APPOINTED TOWN OFFICIALS**

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<b>TOWN MANAGER</b>	<b>Daniel P. O'Neill</b>
<b>Executive Assistant</b>	<b>Lisa M. Pitkin</b>
<b>DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS</b>	<b>Larry A. Wiggins</b>
<b>Airport Manager</b>	<b>Dean Stetson</b>
<b>Cemetery Superintendent</b>	<b>Brian T. Richardson</b>
<b>Highway Superintendent</b>	<b>Fraser L. Michaud</b>
<b>Sewage Treatment Plant Superintendent</b>	<b>Arnold L. Greenleaf</b>
<b>Water &amp; Sewer Superintendent</b>	<b>Robert K. Naylor</b>
<b>EMS DIVISION CHIEF/HEALTH OFFICER</b>	<b>Brian W. Tracey</b>
<b>CIVIL DEFENSE CO-DIRECTORS</b>	<b>David A. Hoyt</b> <b>Peter M. Lamb</b>
<b>FINANCE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>Paul J. Brown, C.P.A.</b>
<b>FIRE CHIEF</b>	<b>Peter M. Lamb</b>
<b>PLANNING &amp; ZONING COORDINATOR</b>	<b>Julie M. Collins</b>
<b>POLICE CHIEF</b>	<b>David A. Hoyt</b>
<b>RECREATION &amp; PARKS DIRECTOR</b>	<b>P.J. Lovely, Jr.</b>
<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>Daniel P. O'Neill</b>
<b>Senior Deputy Tax Collector</b>	<b>Elaine Van Dusen</b>

\*In the annual report of each department, there is a full listing of all Town of Newport employees.

## APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Term Expires

### AIRPORT COMMISSION

Dean Stetson, Airport Manager .....	Ex-Officio
Peter Anastos, Chairman .....	May, 2004
Herbert Findeisen .....	May, 2004
Peter Reynolds .....	May, 2002
Rocky Cusanelli .....	May, 2003
David Little .....	May, 2002
Kent Gooding .....	May, 2004
Elizabeth Maiola, BOS Rep .....	May, 2003
Larry Wiggins, Staff Rep .....	May, 2002

### BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Richard Brewer, Chairman .....	May, 2004
Ella Casey .....	May, 2002
David Little .....	May, 2003
Betty Avery .....	May, 2002
Jodi Holmes .....	May, 2003
Ben Nelson, BOS Rep and Alternate .....	May, 2002
Anthony MacConnell, School Board Rep .....	May, 2003
Paul Brown, Town Staff Rep .....	May, 2002

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Nancy Parssinen, Chair .....	May, 2003
John Liberman .....	May, 2004
June Liberman .....	May, 2004
Rick Costello .....	May, 2003
Albert Cole .....	May, 2002
Andy Clifford .....	May, 2004
Dick Wentzell .....	May, 2003
Norris Learnard, Alternate .....	May, 2003



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## APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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### ECONOMIC CORPORATION OF NEWPORT (ECON)

Kathy Hubert, President .....	Mark Pitkin, Vice President
David McCrillis, Secretary .....	Stephen Ensign, Treasurer
Patryc Wiggins, Director ...	Ella Casey
Mary Lou Reed .....	Richard Bates
Jeffery Cornish .....	Daniel O'Neill
Kevin Chamberlain .....	Marilyn Brannigan
Betty Maiola, BOS Rep .....	Michael Shklar
Bill Wightman .....	Seth Wilner
Tracy Nudd-Homeyer .....	

### HERITAGE COMMISSION

Patrice Brewer, Chair .....	May, 2004
Sharon Christie, Vice Chair .....	May, 2004
Roger Nelson, Secretary .....	May, 2003
Martha Cain .....	May, 2004
Laura Kessler .....	May, 2003
Clifford Richer .....	May, 2002
Patricia McCabe, Alternate .....	May, 2004
Ray Reid, Alternate .....	May, 2003
Gary Nichols, BOS Rep .....	May, 2002

### JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT (SAFETY) COMMITTEE

Steve Dube, Chair .....	Ken Dennis, Vice Chair
Wayne Palmer .....	Shady Blackwell
Aaron Aldrich .....	Lisa Pitkin
Peter Lamb .....	PJ Lovely
Dan O'Neill .....	Ed Schinck
Brian Tracey .....	Wilbur Martin

### PLANNING BOARD

W. Howard Dunn, Chair .....	May, 2003
Gary Nichols, BOS Rep .....	May, 2002
David Burnham .....	May, 2003
Pauline Andrews .....	May, 2004
Frederick Jones .....	May, 2003
Erna McCormick .....	May, 2002
Michael Clark .....	May, 2002
Herbert Avery, Alternate .....	May, 2002
David Kibbey, Alternate .....	May, 2003

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## APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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### RECREATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Jeff Kessler, BOS Rep .....	May, 2002
Robert Scheele .....	May, 2004
Kimberly Rosendahl .....	May, 2003
Larry Flint .....	May, 2003
Ken Dennis .....	May, 2003
Angela Maynes .....	May, 2002
Peter Lamb .....	May, 2004
Betty Maiola, Alternate .....	May, 2003
Christopher Labbe, Student Rep .....	May, 2002
Jill Morse, Student Rep .....	May, 2002

### SULLIVAN COUNTY REGIONAL REFUSE DISPOSAL DISTRICT

Peter Franklin .....	May, 2002
Dan O'Neill .....	May, 2003
Beverly Rodeschin, Alternate .....	May, 2003
Jeffrey Kessler, Alternate .....	May, 2003
Janet DeRose, Alternate .....	May, 2002

### WASTE DISPOSAL ADVISORY STUDY COMMITTEE

Guenter Hubert, Chairman .....	Virginia Irwin, Vice Chairman
Mary Schissel .....	Andy Andrews
Ron Bushway .....	Seth Wilner
Celestine Wiggins .....	Mindy Newcomb
Jeff Kessler, BOS Rep .....	Ann MacConnell, Alternate
Janet DeRose, Alternate .....	

### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

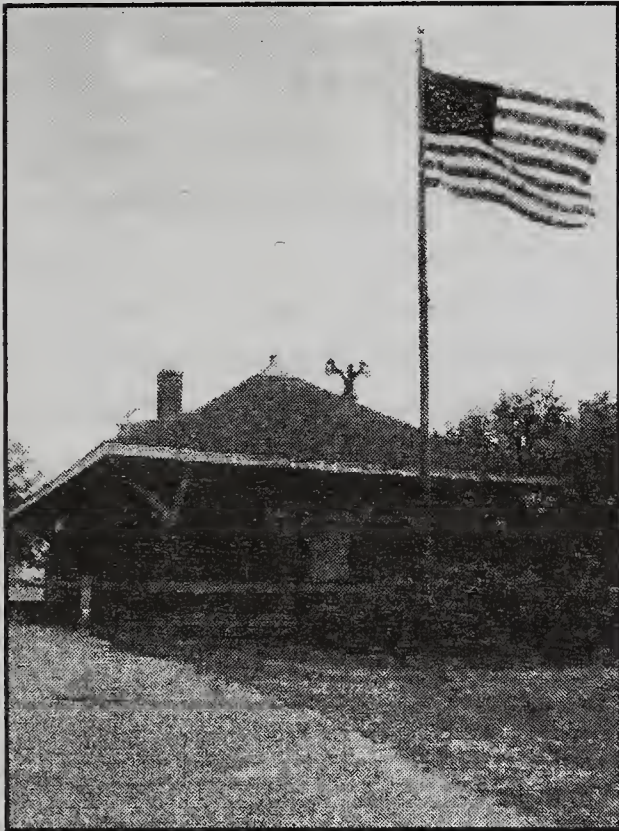
Anthony DiPadova, Chair .....	May, 2002
Ben Nelson, BOS Rep .....	May, 2002
Patrice Brewer .....	May, 2004
Virginia Irwin .....	May, 2002
David Lain .....	May, 2003



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Newport Depot  
John Hastings Photo

2001 was a year of contrasts and contradictions. September 11<sup>th</sup> gave us yet another reason to be glad that we live in quiet Newport, N.H. and at the same time, woke us up to the realization that the “world” can hit us close to home and we aren’t as isolated and insulated as we may have thought. We can be pleased to know that we are low on any target list and we know our neighbors. The aftermath of the attacks continues to illustrate that we are indeed an integral part of a nation united, and an integral part of the global economy.

Newport had firefighters and EMS personnel signed up and ready to go to Ground Zero. Newporters are in the armed services, actively participating in the War on Terrorism and we have citizen soldiers who are ready to go. A Newport Police Officer helped with security at the Olympics.

Everyone has felt, in one way or another, the effect of the terrorist attacks on the economy.

The positive aspect of September’s tragedy is that we are indeed a nation more united and people are more aware of just how connected we are. I think we can all be proud of the role Newport plays in the fabric of our State and our Nation. I urge that we all sit back for a few minutes and determine how we as individuals can make a difference in our local endeavors and then throw our efforts into making those differences. In this way, we will also be improving our unity not just as a Town, but also in the broader nation.

Thank you all for your support and your suggestions in making Newport an even more pleasant and inviting place to live. I look forward to your help again in 2002-2003.

**Bennie C. Nelson,  
Chairman**

**TOWN MANAGER'S  
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Lisa M. Pitkin

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Much has been accomplished over the past year. We've made significant progress in refurbishing our Main Street and we are seeing more small shops open for business. Through the combined efforts of local, State, Federal, and private contributions, the Eagle Block is on its way to restoration. A decision was made and funding was approved for the Pollards Mills Bridge. Steps were taken for improvements at the Airport which will enhance our community's ability to attract visitors. A new soccer field was open for play. There are numerous other tangible items I could point to that have enhanced our community's livability that might measure our prior years progress, but it is the routine things that we have come to take for granted that I am most proud of.

I started my career in public service in 1977 when I joined a local volunteer Fire Department in the State of Michigan. A few years later I became a police officer and I performed those duties for several years, eventually winding up in city management in the mid-eighties which is where I've been ever since. The reason for this brief biography is to demonstrate that even someone like me who has been closely associated with emergency services for many years can take for granted those people whom we all depend on when there is no one else to come. It is not that we don't think about and understand or appreciate what they do, it is that most people, most of the time, don't avail themselves of the services of emergency personnel, but when you need them, you expect them to be there. Very few of us give a second thought to the potential risk that these people take in the performance of their duties and quite frankly I think that many of the people who perform emergency services don't think about the risk either. They do the job because they like the work and the danger is part of it. They accept it for what it is. It is unfortunate that it often takes a tragedy to get us all to think about and more deeply appreciate the valuable service that emergency personnel provide to our communities. All of us need to let these people know how much we appreciate them and we can do this in a number of ways. One simple way is to just acknowledge them when you see them. You can wave, you can honk your horn when you drive by, or you can stop and tell them how much you appreciate the commitment and personal sacrifices that they make in the performance of their duties.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the men and women who work for the Town of Newport performing emergency services and to also thank the family members that support their efforts. I thank all of you for what you do and I hope all of you have a safe and rewarding experience in your chosen work.

**Daniel P. O'Neill,  
Town Manager**



**REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF DISTRICT ONE**  
**RAYMOND S. BURTON, EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR**  
**STATE HOUSE, ROOM 207, CONCORD, NH**  
**(603) 271-3632**

**e-mail: ray.burton4@gte.net**

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The Governor and five member Executive Council are very much like an elected "Board of Directors", who along with 294 Commissioners and Directors, administer the laws and budget as passed by the New Hampshire General Court (House and Senate).

We perform a variety of Executive Branch functions, such as, general supervision of all state departments and state expenditures, pardon matters, eminent domain, state contracts and leases, public waters, the planning of the Transportation 10-year plan, and confirmation of the Governor's nominations to the Judicial Branch of your NH State Government (for a complete explanation, please contact my office).

As we look into the immediate future, I would encourage all citizens to be in contact with all of us in your elected representative bodies, at the local, state and federal levels. We cannot truly represent you if we do not know of your ideas, concerns and aspirations.

If you are interested in serving on a volunteer commission or board, please contact my office at 271-3632 or Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments and Governor Shaheen's Liaison to the Council at 271-2121. The District Health Councils are always looking for members; if interested, please call Lori Real at 1-800-852-3345 ext. 4235 and request a packet of information about what this key planning process is all about. All of the Governor and Council appointments to Boards and Commissions are listed in the Webster System at [webster.state.nh.us/sos/redbook/index.htm](http://webster.state.nh.us/sos/redbook/index.htm).

We need to work out NH Congressional Delegation in Washington. Senators Judd Gregg and Bob Smith and Congressmen Charlie Bass and John Sununu all have strong and powerful committee assignments and are well connected to do more for NH. We need to let them know what is needed for our localities and regions, so ring their bell... Senator Gregg at (603) 225-4115; Senator Smith at 1-800-922-2230, Congressman Bass at (603) 226-0249; and Congressman Sununu at (603) 641-9536.

It is a pleasure to serve you. Please contact my office for a listing of toll free 800 numbers and a copy of the newly printed NH Constitution. Always know that I am ready to assist you, your town and region.

**Ray Burton,**  
**Executive Councilor**

**Parlin Field**  
Newport Airport  
2001

**e-mail: [bddmt@fcgnetworks.net](mailto:bddmt@fcgnetworks.net)**

**web site: [www.newportnh.net/airport/](http://www.newportnh.net/airport/)**

June 30<sup>th</sup> marked the end of 39 years of community service as Airport Manager for Al Gobin. In appreciation, the Airport Commission and the Town held a Fly-In in his honor. Over 30 planes visited Newport's municipal airport. Pilots and townspeople came together to say goodbye and thank you.

On July 1<sup>st</sup>, Dean Stetson of Newport stepped into the position of Airport Manager aided by his wife Maura, who acts as the Administrative Assistant for Parlin Field. The guidance of the Selectmen and the Airport Commission, the enthusiastic help of volunteers, and the continued support and assistance by Newport's other departments has made the transition a smooth one. Special thanks go to Brian Richardson of the Cemetery Department and Fraser Michaud of the Highway Department for their immeasurable aid.

The primary function of this facility is for the safe operation of aircraft and to provide access to our community and region. This access promotes economic development and tourism. Beyond that, there are a variety of activities that occur on the airport property for the people of Newport, relatives, and visitors from throughout the state, and New England.

During the month of July an Indian Pow-Wow was held on the airport's grass strip. American Indians from the Pennacook-Abenake People from all over New England joined at Parlin Field by the Corbin Covered Bridge area and shared a celebration of their culture with the people in Newport. This event is to be held again in July of 2002.

The area skimobile clubs have been constructing a bridge to cross the Sugar River from the current State system of trails that are part of the old Claremont to Concord Railroad track beds. New trails will run adjacent to the airport property. This will allow sleds access to yet another network of trails eastwardly towards Mount Sunapee.

The airport is undergoing a face-lift. Signs now adorn the hanger, donated by Dale's Paint and Place. Cleaning, painting and repairing are all part of the changes that are being noticed. Pete Hamel of A & P Electric donated electrical repairs on the hanger. Our thanks to these community businesses! Our annual state inspection has highlighted a number of issues that are of concern for the safety and preservation of the facility. One of the most pressing issues is the encroachment of trees and brush on the runway approaches and safety zones. Brush clearing, tree removal, and property maintenance is necessary.

David Winthrop of the Sugar River Regional Vocational Technical Center, (SRRVTC), and his advanced forestry class of the agricultural department will use this municipal property as a "real world" training area. This training area will provide valuable experience in dendrology and forest management practices within the variety of eco-systems that are common throughout the area within



close proximity to the school. This program will benefit the students, school, airport, and Town.

A new operations terminal is being constructed at Parlin Field. When completed, "The Sunshine Lady Terminal" will greet visitors to our area exhibiting Newport's commitment to community, and touting our rich New England history. Any display memorabilia related to Newport and its aviation heritage is south and welcomed.

Throughout New England, the demand for aircraft hangers outweighs the supply. Parlin Field is no exception. We have had a great number of requests for hanger space. "Tee Hangers" are a nested configuration of hangers for aircraft; similar in construction to the metal storage buildings we see being constructed in many locations. Information is being accumulated on these buildings, and financial plans are being investigated to see how we can meet this demand while posing no burden to the Newport taxpayer. More information will be available in the months ahead.

I want to thank all those unnamed individuals who have helped my wife and I in these first few months. Their dedication to Newport's municipal airport has kept it alive. It is this type of commitment, and dedication by the people of Newport that make us what we are and what will bring Parlin Field to its full potential.

**Dean Stetson,  
Airport Manager**

# From Trains to Planes

## The History of Aviation in Newport

*By Kenneth Andler*  
*Text from the 1961 Bicentennial Celebration*  
*Program*

In 1929 a group of citizens, called together by the late Judge Jesse M. Barton, met in Citizens Hall and resolved that Newport should have an airport. Although George A. Fairbanks generously offered his field on Elm Street, this site was considered unsuitable for several reasons. The meeting decided to lease the fields at the junction of Route #10 and The North Newport road from Austin Corbin and to proceed to raise money by public subscription of donations to a corporation formed for this purpose, and stock to be issued for the same.



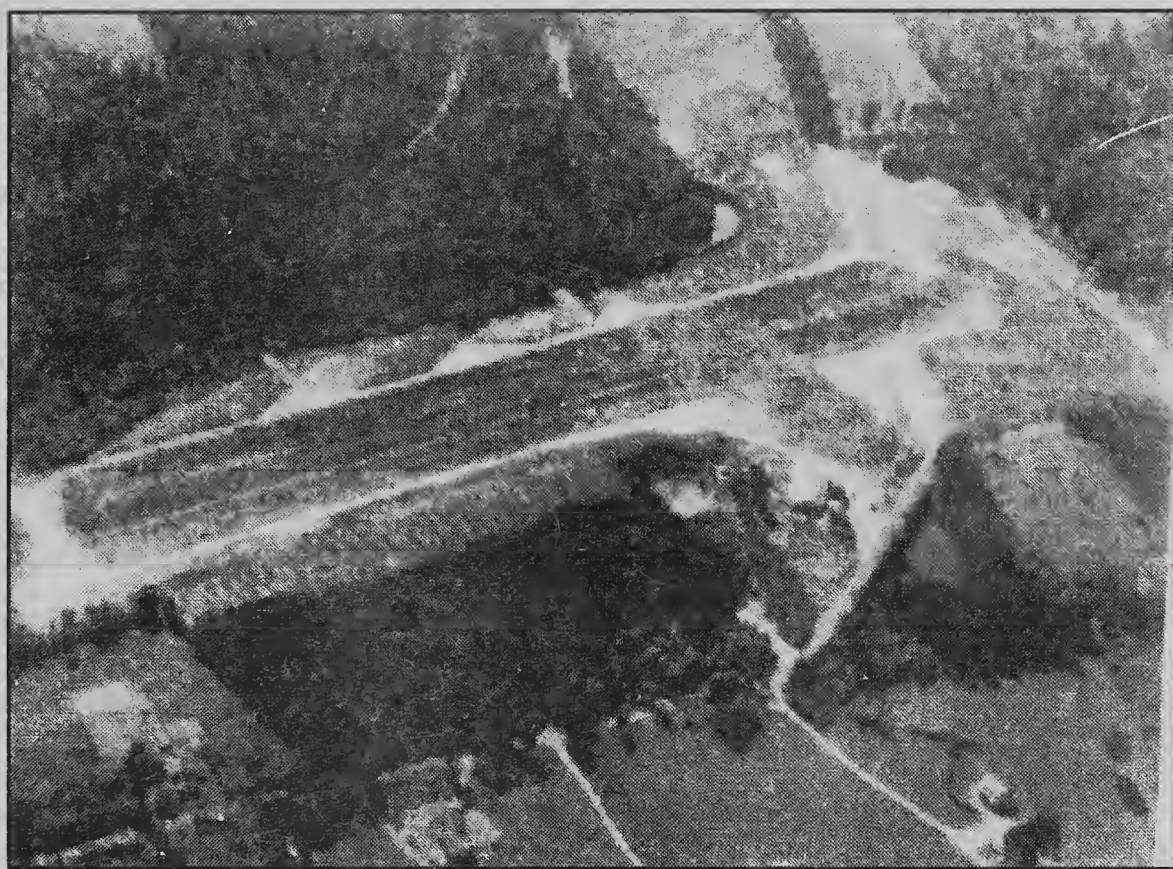
Stock Certificate sold for \$5.00 a share for funding the creation of the Albert N. Parlin Airport.

Susanne Parlin, of Croydon, widow of Albert N. Parlin, made a contribution of \$5000 and the future airport was named the Albert N. Parlin Field in his honor. The corporation formed with Judge Barton as President, and the other officers and directors were George E. Lewis, Lewis J. (Josh) Young, William F. Sullivan, and Michael J. Hourihan. These men gave unstintingly of their time and money over many years. Among the principal contributors were George A. Dorr, Sr., George A. Fairbanks, Francis W. Nason, Sr., Howard Coonley, Austin Corbin, Francis P. Murphy, and Rowell Brothers. Of course, substantial amounts were contributed by a great many others.



An old stone wall and line of trees which divided in two the present NW-SE Runways, and running from the North Newport road to the bend in the river were immediately removed and much grading done. A steel hangar and house for the airport manager were erected. Although noted pilot Bob Fogg, of Croydon and Concord, had landed there years before improvements were made, probably the first plane to come in with the Parlin Airport as its destination was piloted by J.M. Lambertson in September 1930.

Running head on into the great depression, the Airport Corporation occasionally requested modest financial help from the Town. This, as historian Samuel H. Edes has written in his historical sketch of the Airport. Resulted in a "twenty-year contest between a comparatively small number of citizens who could see that air facilities should and must be located here and who proceeded with energy and dispatch to put their ideas into effect; and those who considered any such idea a wild flight of fancy of the part of people possessed of too much imagination and too little common sense."



View of Parlin Field  
In 1949

Sometimes knocked down in Town Meeting but never knocked, out, Judge Barton and the other founders of the airport, assisted in the debated by Robert E Gould, John R. Kelly and others, managed to keep public sentiment alive to the need for an airport.

First pilots here were George Crampton and Floyd Miller, and considerably later, Grover Gillingham. First students were Frank Nason and Lester Coonley.

After Austin Corbin died in 1938 the Town bought the land from his Estate in 1939. The Airport was thereafter in charge of the Town's Airport Committee on which



have served Jesse M. Barton to his death in 1943, Michael J. Hourihan, Robert E. Gould, Kenneth Andler, Leonard W. Power, Wm. R. Smith, Harry Woodward, Dr. Ralph Benson, John Avery, and Jacob M. Shulins, up to the changeover to Town manager form of government. Graded and improved from time to time, the really vital improvement came when the North-South runway was widened and lengthened and the North Newport Road Relocated. Much credit for this is due [to] those concerned with the Airport at about that [time] – Leonard Powers, Harry Woodard, Dr. Benson and Judge Shulins who was also town counsel. This new airstrip was dedicated July 10, 1949, and a good program booklet issued with an historical sketch by Major Edes. This runway was black-topped in 1953, and in 1958 it was extended to its present length of 2800 feet.

The Airport has proved to be a valuable asset to the town. Since 1949 leased to Buker Airways (Major Harold Buker, war hero and farsighted business man of New London) and under the able managership of Richard C. Stone, the Airport is a live wire organization.



Aerial View of Newport  
Not dated

Dick Stone is always on some interesting assignment such as air-dropping feed to the wild boar in Corbin Park in the winter, flying over power lines to locate breaks, rushing small machine parts to factories, carrying ill persons in emergencies. Dick also was the one out of all the pilot searchers to find the bodies of the two Dartmouth doctors who had crashed in the White Mountains in Feb. 1959.

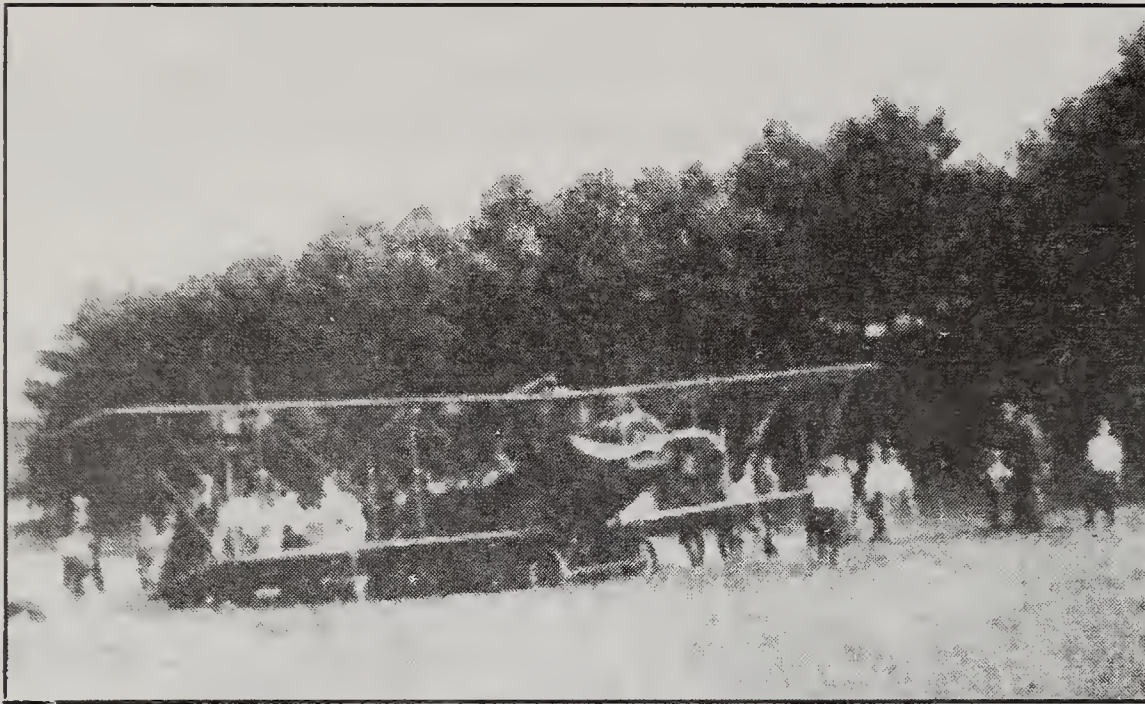
Besides the ordinary passenger "feeder-service," it should be noted that numerous summer residents of this area use the field for commuting. The executives of local business firms-especially those of the Dorr Woolen Company – find the Airport a great



timesaver. Now that grass is growing on the railroad tracks, with passenger service abandoned, we can derive some comfort from the Airport being a busy place.

## A historical documentation on Parlin Field – Newport Municipal Airport

Over the years, numerous accounts of Parlin Field have appeared in a variety of publications. Its inception in 1929 was brought about by a group of foundational families in Newport. In 1949 an “improved” airport was dedicated. The history of our town, and its people gives us, as a community, a perspective on our heritage as Newporters.



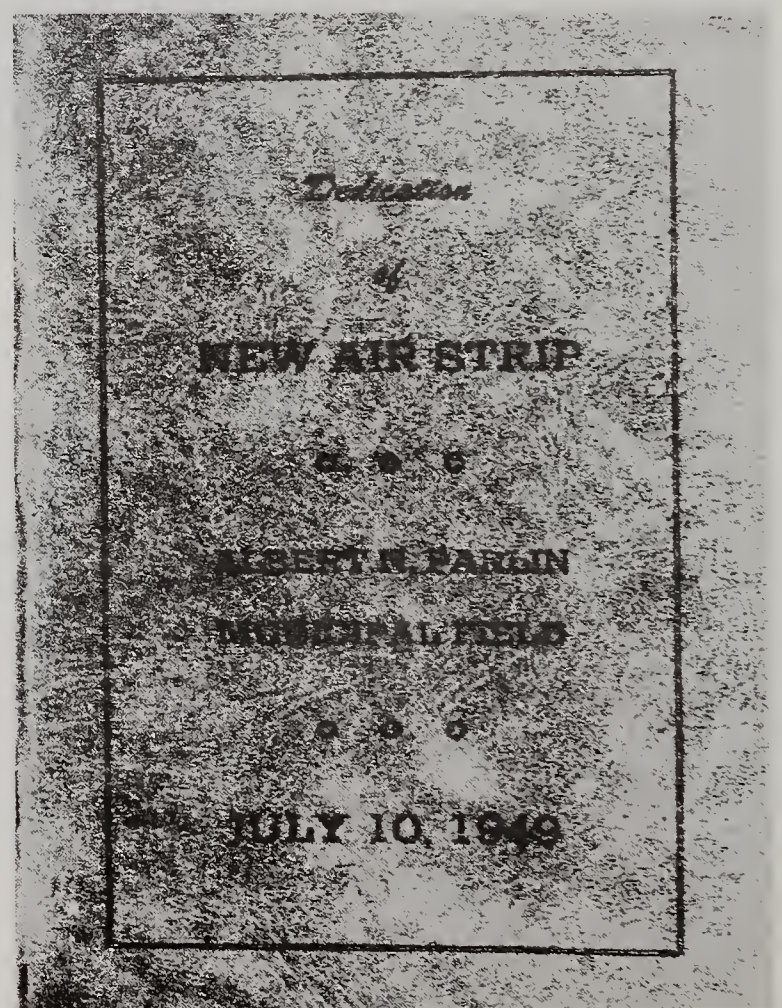
This photo was from an article named “From Trains to Planes” from the Newport Bicentennial celebration program printed in 1961 by Kenneth Andler.

*Courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Darling*

One of the first planes to land at Newport Airport. Major Robert Fogg, now of Croydon, was one of the early pilots and is believed to be the first person to set a plane down at the present airport.

FRONT COVER of the Program for the Dedication of Parlin Field. 1949

This program was dedicated “*To all Men and Women With Foresightness Enough to Further the Cause of Progress*”





## ARGUS CHAMPION

### Friday, July 8, 1949

# Parlin Field Is Dedicated Sunday by Styles Bridges

With local fire fighting equipment stationed along the edge of the runway in case of accident, and with flights of Navy Corsairs and Hellcats add Army Thunderjets roaring over the field, the formal dedication of the new 1800-foot north-south runway for the Albert N. Parlin Airfield will begin this Sunday at 2:30 p.m. with the arrival of Senator Bridges, main dedication speaker, and round-the-world flyer George Truman.

Senator Bridges will be flown from Washington National airport by Dr. Arthur Wright of Bradford.

A demonstration of unusual aircraft, including a helicopter, and a parachute jump will be the climax of the afternoon dedication ceremonies, Harold Buker, airport manager said.

The new strip, a \$40,000 runway recently completed and the first New Hampshire field to be accepted by federal and state authorities under a new share-the-cost plan between town, state, and federal government, will have its dedication broadcast over radio station WTSV beginning at 2:45 p.m.

The dedication ceremonies will start at 12:30 when visiting pilots, guests and aviation and town officials will meet at a dinner to be held at the Moose Home.

The dedication will begin at 2:30 p.m. with the arrival of Senator Bridges and George Truman, and at 3:15 the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps will march in exhibition.

At 3:30 a flight of Navy Corsairs and Hellcats, all fighter types, will thunder out of the air for a demonstration and one-half hour later a flight of F 84 C Thunderjets will hiss out of the sky for a second demonstration of the U.S. air strength.

The parachute jump is scheduled for 5 p.m. Representative Norris Cotton and Governor Sherman Adams have been invited to the affair and are expected to arrive during the ceremonies.

## ARGUS CHAMPION

### Tuesday July 12, 1949

#### Airport Program Delayed; Dedication Next Sunday

The formal dedication of the new Albert N. Parlin airfield, delayed one week because of sudden, heavy rains last Sunday, will be held this coming Sunday with more Navy Hellcats than originally scheduled, and with otherwise the same program.

Airport manager Harold Buker said, "We hope that rain will not delay us again. We'll make an agreement with the farmers. We won't object to the rain last Sunday, if they'll let us have a clear day this week."

#### More Hellcats

Buker said the Navy, because of the change in date, will be able to send 16 F6F Hellcats, a larger number than could have been released last Sunday. A flight of Air Force Thunderjets is scheduled to arrive as originally planned.

Some advantages came from the postponement, Buker said. More work will be accomplished on the administration building, already near completion with glassed-in control room and pleasant waiting room. Some planes, planned for last Sunday, notified Buker that they were unable to arrive for the original date, but the airport manager feels that the delay in the dedication date will allow them to be present next Sunday.

One aircraft, equipped with a four-bladed propellor, and called a "silent plane" because of its lack of noise will probably arrive this Sunday, Buker said. The helicopter will be present, he said.

Sunday's program will include the parachute jump, a display of unusual planes, the arrival of the Army and Navy flights, around-the-world flyer George Truman and an exhibition by the Brewster-Gould Drum and Bugle Corps.

It is possible, Buker said, that Governor Sherman Adams, Senator Styles Bridges, who was to dedicate the airport, and Congressman Norris Cotton will arrive for the dedication.



## **ARGUS CHAMPION**

### **Tuesday, July 19, 1949**

## **Over 10,000 See Dedication Of New Parlin Field Runway**

Despite heavy fogs and haze that grounded planes in most New England airports and limited flying visibility at Newport, the new 2,000 feet long runway at the Albert N. Parlin Municipal Field in North Newport was dedicated Sunday before a crowd estimated at 10,000.

Approximately 1,500 automobiles choked the roads around the airport, and pastures and fields were used as parking areas for the flood of spectators. Cars were parked as far south as the Newport Dairy on the Dartmouth College Highway, and lined the roadside as far as the covered bridge on the North Newport Road. The recently opened Haselat Memorial Park was filled with spectators, and the logged-off hill west of the Park was dotted with sight-seers who came to see the air show.

### **Thousands Pack Field**

Several hundred cars were parked on the west side of the new runway and thousands of the spectators jammed the field and watched the arrival of around-the-world flyer George Truman, then packed closely near the reviewing stand to hear a short description of his globe-circling tour in a light plane.

With Samuel H. Edes acting as master of ceremonies, the dedication program, cut short by the failure of Army and Navy planes and state political figures to arrive, got underway at 2:30. One airport official pointed out that high-speed military pursuit planes require several miles of visibility, and that jet planes must have 15 miles visibility.

Master of ceremonies Edes introduced Russell Hilliard, state director of aeronautics, who approved Parlin Field as New Hampshire's first Class 1 field constructed under combined federal, state and local funds.

Also introduced were Gardner Mills, assistant state director of aeronautics, John J. Condon, George C. Benjamin of Manchester, civil engineer for the field, and Dr. R. A. Benson, president of the Newport Flying Club. Benson said that "five months of work and planning have gone into the dedication, and first rain, then fog spoiled it." He said 200 planes were expected for the affair, and said he hoped for a better airshow in the future.

### **Fitts Welcomes Visitors**

Selectmen Clyde Pratt and Frank Haven were introduced and town manager Leon E. Fitts thanked Newporters and residents of nearby towns for the courtesy of attending the

dedication. He stressed the point that the field was for Newporters, and invited them to use the airport.

The American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps gave an exhibition of marching and maneuvers, and the Legion's famous Leaping Lena entertained the spectators with its antics.

Airport manager Harold Buker welcomed the spectators in a short talk.

Climax of the dedication was the parachute jump of former paratrooper Bob Coon of St. Alban, VT, who crashed through the windshield of a parked automobile when a sudden gust of wind drifted him from his drop zone.



**CEMETERY & GROUNDS DEPARTMENT**  
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**Superintendent**

Brian T. Richardson

**Per Diem Laborers**

Roger Webber

Kevin Evans

Chris Gochee

Stanley Gochee

The Cemetery & Grounds Department had 72 burials during 2001.

In addition to burials, the department repaired, scraped, sanded and painted trash receptacles, park benches and picnic tables, as well as built six new picnic tables. The Winter Carnival sign was updated and placed on the Little Common.

The department did Spring clean up, repaired all winter burial lots and made equipment repairs. We also removed trees and brush as well as contracted some tree removal at the new Campbell Park located at the Sunapee Street snow dump area and removed the old fence from that location. The north end of the Common was reseeded several times and a sprinkler system was installed. The irrigation lines on the Little Common, Ruger Lot and the Center Strip on Main Street were repaired. The rose beds at the Ruger Lot were pruned and fertilized. We had vandalism at the Maple Street Cemetery several times during 2001. We laid out a new section in Pine Grove Cemetery, prepared Corbin Bridge Park for the Native American Pow Wow, removed the damaged crabapple tree from in front of the Town Office, trimmed the fence line at Richards School, cleaned and trimmed the back side of the Ruger Lot and repaired the sprinkler system at the A.R.C. athletic complex. We completed Phase 4 of the Maple Street Cemetery Restoration Project, completed all Fall clean up of the cemeteries and parks, assisted with "*Twas Just Before Christmas*" event on Main Street and placed the Nativity Scene on the Little Common for the Christmas season.

**Brian Richardson,**  
**Cemetery & Grounds Superintendent**

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
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Dick Wentzell .....	Norris Learnard, Alternate

The primary concerns of the Newport Conservation Commission are:

- Acquisition and management of conservation lands
- Protection of wetlands and other natural resources
- Care of Town trees
- Conservation and environmental education

Early this year we took the first steps to protect conservation land by requesting an amendment to the Newport Zoning Ordinance for a new zoning district called the Conservation District. The nine parcels of land that would be located in the Conservation District are all currently owned by the Town of Newport and are located adjacent to the Sugar River. The amendment was approved by the Board of Selectmen and the Zoning Board but still needs the voters approval.



Members of the Volunteers for Peace 2001

Nine members of the Volunteers for Peace spent two weeks in Newport working with us on the trails in the Town Forest and at the airport. We continued upgrading trails, built a thirty foot long, raised walkway over a wet area, repaired other damage done by water and relocated signs around the new water tower. Railings on the wetland boardwalk were repaired and a new information sign was put up at the SRVVTTC Demonstration Sugar Bush. At the airport we worked on the river trails from the

covered bridge down to the new snowmobile bridge to improve access and safety. The Newport Revitalization Committee sponsored the volunteers, providing transportation, room and board, and organizing many opportunities for community involvement.

The Newport Recreation Department also worked many hours on the trails, getting them ready for the mountain bike race they hosted there in August. We heard many compliments on the fine condition of the trails and the challenging course laid out up over



the Pinnacle.

The local Snowmobile Club has built two bridges across the Sugar River and improved the snowmobile trail through the Town Forest. This allows riders on the Sugar River Trail to go around the town and connects many miles of trails that formally dead-ended in Newport.

We participated in the New Hampshire Department of Agriculture Purple Loosestrife Control Project, raising leaf eating insects for release at the Sugar River in Guild. Unfortunately, we and a number of others, had a limited hatch of beetles so there were few to release this year. Future funding of the project is uncertain at this time but we hope to try again.

The appropriation of \$4,000.00 at the Town Meeting for replacement of trees was much appreciated. Three trees have been planted on the Common to replace the dead maples that were cut down. The ornamental crab tree that was broken off in a hit-and-run accident will be replaced as soon as it is available in the spring, and three other trees will be planted on North Main Street beyond the Towle School.

A number of Wetland Permits were filed with the Town this year. Each was reviewed by the Commission, sites were visited, and all necessary paperwork was sent to the Wetland Board in Concord. We also checked on several violations and helped the owners file for permits.

The annual inspection of lands on which the Town holds conservation easements was completed and the required reports were sent to The New Hampshire Forest Society. Also, one of our members has been monitoring the Town Forest, walking the trails each week, removing trash and repairing or reporting any damage.

Commission members attended a variety of workshops during the year, as well the Annual Meeting of Conservation Commissions.

**Nancy Parssinen,  
Chairman**

ECONOMIC CORPORATION OF NEWPORT (ECON)  
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ECON continued its focus on downtown development, strategic business retention and recruitment, community-based educational programming, and special project development.

The Nettleton House and the Eagle Block properties focused public attention on innovative economic development practices. Each site represents the prescribed re-use of historic structures for enterprises with education missions, each devoted to local and regional economic interdependence.

This year follows last year's \$265,000 bequest by local business leaders for the establishment of the *Sargent Museum Center for Connecticut River Archeology* on the main floors of the Nettleton House, with the ECON office occupying the attic floor. Dr. Lynn Clark from Contoocook directed the Museum's public programming.

ECON's strategic re-use of the Eagle Block focused attention on historic preservation of an *American Treasure*, riverside park development, support for the regional precision metal working industry/advanced manufacturing sectors throughout the Connecticut River Valley, and local ownership of key retailers and service providers to compliment ECON's community projects to honor and foster local character. A special section of this Town Report documents the comprehensive accomplishments of the Eagle Block project.

Through informal collaboration with the municipality, business owners, the chamber, and the cultural community, ECON welcomed the establishment of new and expanded businesses (*Curves For Women, 31 Mane Street Salon & Boutique, Scarlett Drug, and Jack's Coffee*) in a community-wide celebration September 28<sup>th</sup>. This event was staged to also recognize Newport's Farmer's Market, the historic restoration of the Lewis Block, sidewalk improvements on the east side of Main Street, common and median-strip landscaping designed and maintained by high school students, the town's cultural and historical centers, and the vitality of the locally-owned businesses both downtown and on the outskirts. This event facilitated the strategic recruitment of



two new enterprises to be located at the rehabilitated Eagle Block: a family restaurant and micro brewery; and a cooperative marketplace specializing in New Hampshire made products and produce.

ECON ran a two-week Summer Camp, *Keys for Kids: Unlocking the Lessons of Local Ingenuity*, at Newport's Machine Tool Exhibit in July. Funded by the NH Department of Education, a curriculum was created for the camp to engage and publicly interpret the regional precision metal working industry. Ten students, age 9 to 14 participated. Four adults, including a career machinist/tool maker, were a constant teacher team. Twelve guests from the community - historians, educators, machinists and industry leaders - were a highlight. Trips were taken to three area machine shops: Gloenco, Costa Precision, and Latva Machine. The campers also visited the Machining Technologies Program at the Sugar River Valley Regional Technical Center in Claremont, where instructor Scott Pope, facilitated the tour and lesson. The entire camp was videotaped and aired through the fall on the region's community access stations in Newport, Claremont, Springfield, Bellows Falls, and Windsor. The camp curriculum is now the basis of an after school program at the Machine Tool Exhibit with 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in collaboration with Girls, Inc.

**Patryc Wiggins,  
Director**

**NEWPORT FIRE/EMS  
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Fftr. John Barton (call)

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Fftr. Joel Lussier (call)

Fftr. Rob Kuell (call)

Fftr. Kyle Ranney (call)

Fftr. Tim Beard (call)

Fftr. Joe Moulton (call)

\* Denotes on EMS Division as well.

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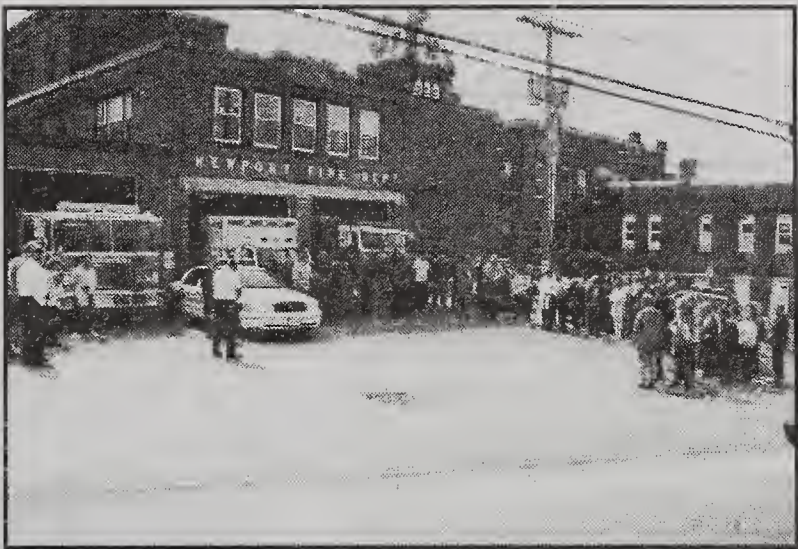
EMT Barbara Daly

EMT Tammy Tait

The events of September 11<sup>th</sup> brought new meaning to emergency workers and the entire country. Newport Fire/EMS workers, like others in the State, contacted the State Fire Marshal's Office to sign up for possible deployment. Even though everyone wanted to help and were tempted to respond on their own, we knew we had to make sure Newport had proper response capabilities to protect our own.



Members of the community, public safety personnel, and Town/County workers participated in a brief remembrance ceremony and a moment of silence in front of the Fire Station on September 14<sup>th</sup> to pay our respects to those lost in the attacks in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania.



Memorial Service, 9/14/01

Newport Fire/EMS, is a full service municipal Fire Service. The department has two "Divisions", Fire Operations and Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The career fighters work 11 hour days and 13 hour nights, with the Chief working primary the day shift and responds when available after normal hours. The Fire Operations is staffed with four career firefighters/officers along with the Deputy Chief who works mostly days as the "operations officer" and currently twenty-one on call firefighters/officers. The EMS division is currently staffed by the EMS Division Chief who works four twelve hour days (M-TH) and is subject to call back and a cross trained firefighter being assigned to a rotating weekday shift along with twenty call Emergency Medical Technicians who respond when possible.

The EMS Division handled 1,146 calls this year, which brings the call volume well over 1000 calls a year for the last five years. The average amount of time for an EMS Call averages a minimum of two hours for at least two technicians. The past year started off with a tremendous work load with record amount of calls for January and February in the history of the town providing Ambulance Service to the region. During the year, Grantham choose to have New London hospital EMS as their Emergency Medical service provider. The revenues generated by all the costs are put back into the Town's "General Fund" that is used to off set the actual costs of taxpayer's dollars.

From a service area perspective, the EMS Division handled calls from the following areas:

Newport	883
Sunapee	58
Goshen	44
Newbury (Mt. Sunapee)	63
Croydon	46
Grantham	41
Misc. & Mutual Aid	<u>11</u>
<i>Total</i>	1,146

Of the 1146 EMS calls the monthly breakdown is as follows:

<b>January</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>July</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>October</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>February</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>May</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>August</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>61</b>
<b>March</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>September</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>89</b>

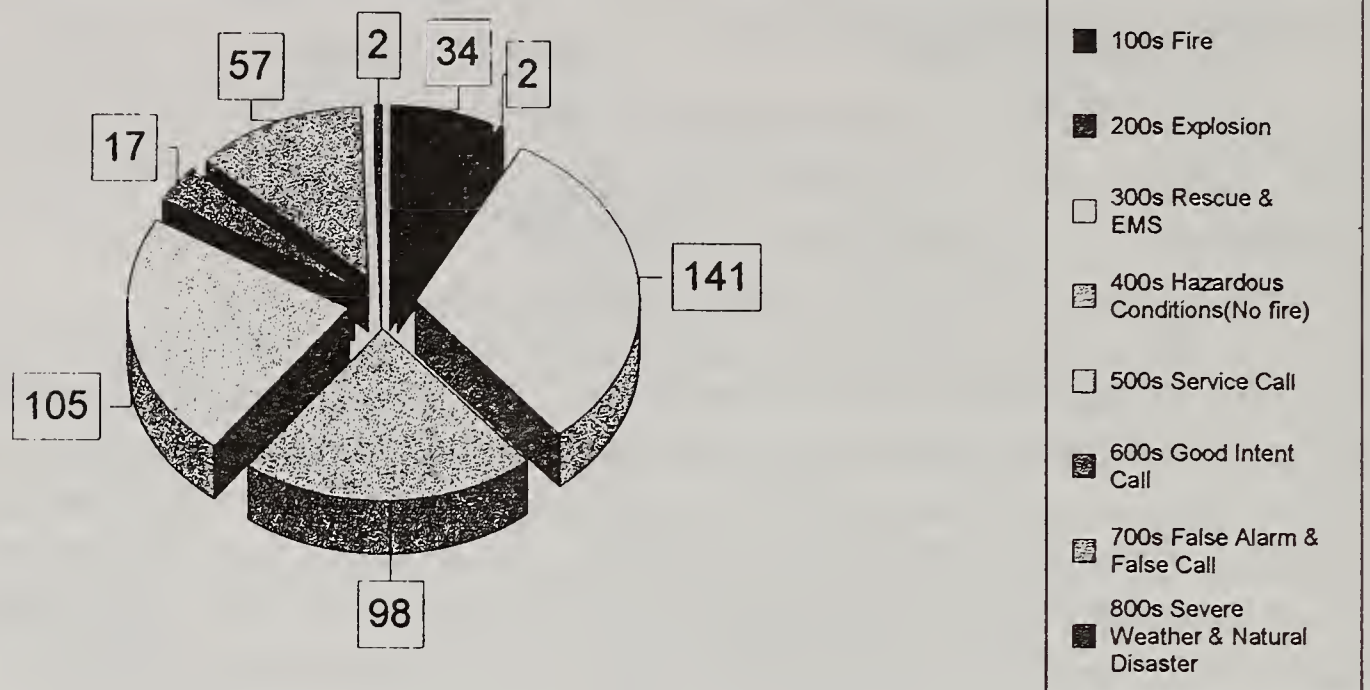
<b>First Quarter</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>Second Quarter</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>Third Quarter</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>Fourth Quarter</b>	<b>225</b>
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## Incident Report, By Type Of Incident

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Newport Fire Department  
Incident Date in 1/01/2001 to 12/31/2001



*Graphed Items are sorted by Incident Type*

Type Of Incident:	Total Of Incidents:	Percentage Value:
100 Series-Fire	34	7.46%
200 Series-Explosion	2	0.44%
300 Series-Rescue & EMS	141	30.92%
400 Series-Hazardous Conditions(No fire)	98	21.49%
500 Series-Service Call	105	23.03%
600 Series-Good Intent Call	17	3.73%
700 Series-False Alarm & False Call	57	12.50%
800 Series-Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	2	0.44%

Grand Total: 456  
Type Of Incident Most Frequent: 300 Series-Rescue & EMS



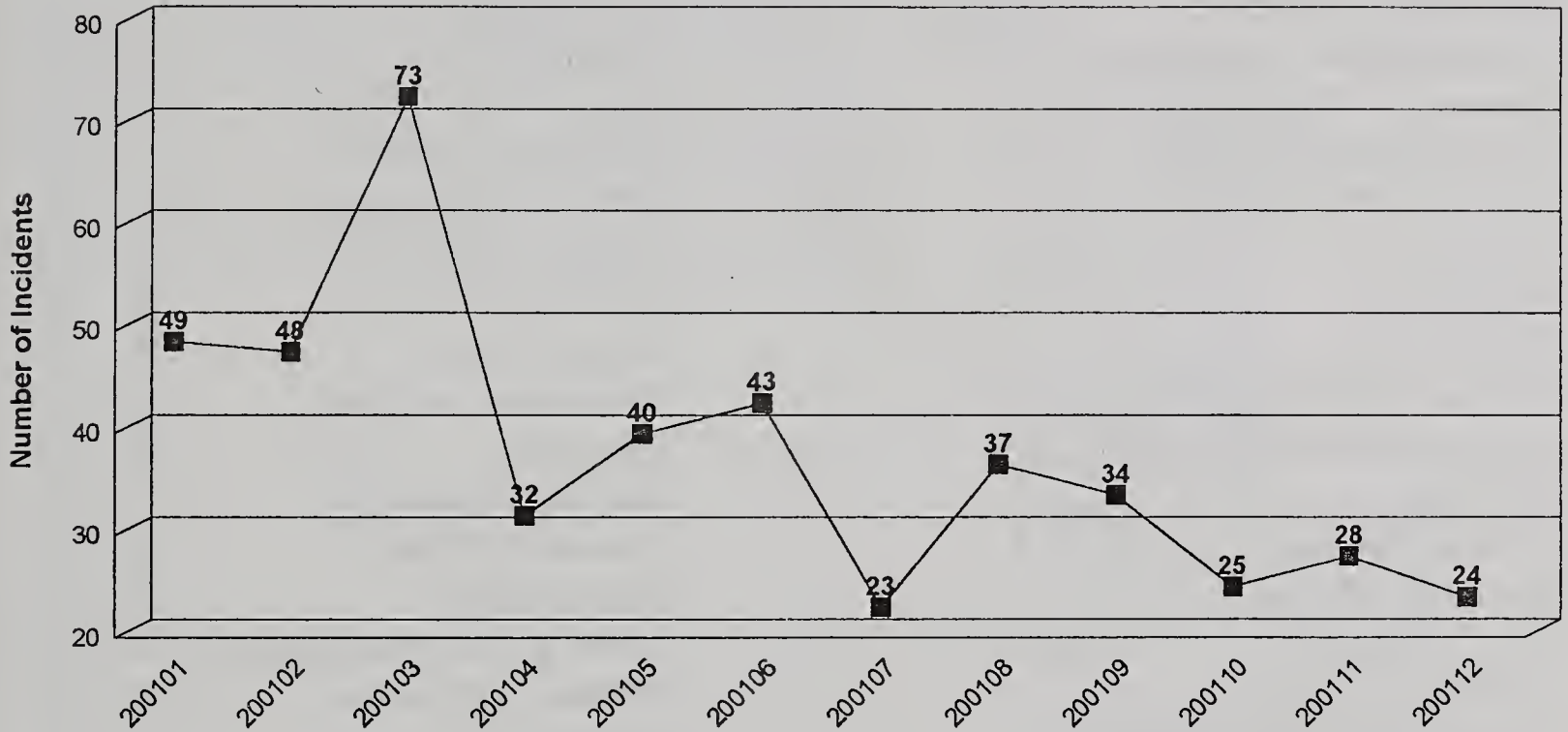
# Incident Reporting by Month

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Newport Fire Department

Incident Date in 1/01/2001 to 12/31/2001



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Period:	# of Incidents:
January 2001	49
February 2001	48
March 2001	73
April 2001	32
May 2001	40
June 2001	43
July 2001	23
August 2001	37
September 2001	34
October 2001	25
November 2001	28
December 2001	24
<b>Total Incidents:</b>	<b>456</b>

Fire Operations responded to over 456 calls during 2001. These calls are a increase of 62 calls from last year. The calls are outlined as follows:

<b>Fire (Not Classified)</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Building Fires</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Cooking Fires, confined</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Chimney Fires</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Passenger Vehicle Fire</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Brush, Grass, Woods</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Trash/Dumpster Fires</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Explosion (no fire)</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Excessive Heat (no fire)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>EMS Assist/Back-up</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>EMS Calls</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>Vehicle Accidents</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Lock In</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Search for Person</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Extrication</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Water Rescue</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Rescue or EMS Standby</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>Hazardous Incident</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Gasoline/Flammable Spill</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Gas Leak</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Oil Spill</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Refrigeration Leak</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Carbon Monoxide Incident</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>Electrical Wiring</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Defective Wiring</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Light Ballast</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Wires Down</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>Arching Electrical Equip.</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Accident (other)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Building Collapses</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Vehicle Accident Clean-up</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Service Call</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Person in Distress</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Lock Out</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Water Problem</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Water Evacuation</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Water or Stream Leak</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Smoke or Odor</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Animal Calls</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Pubic Service Calls</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Assist Police</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Unauthorized Burning</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Cover Assignments</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>Good Intent Calls</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Dispatched &amp; Canceled</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Wrong Location</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Authorized Burns</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Smoke Scare</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>HazMat Release Invest.</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>False Calls</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Municipal Alarm</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Central Station False Call</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Bomb Threat No Bomb</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Smoke Detector Malfunction</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Smoke Detector Activation</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Malfunction Alarms</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Unintentional Alarms</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Weather Related Responses</b>	<b>2</b>

This represents a total of 456 responses with 57 different classifications of our responses in Fire Operations of Newport Fire/EMS.



The fire station is also an authorized “Deer Tagging” station with the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. The following is a summary of what was tagged at our station. The totals are down from last year of 110 males, 34 females and an overall total of 144 deer tagged.

DATE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	SEASON
Sept. 15	2	0	2	Archery Only
Sept. 16	1	2	3	Archery Only
Sept. 17	1	1	2	Archery Only
Sept. 20	1	0	0	Archery Only
Sept. 23	0	1	1	Archery Only
Oct. 01	0	1	1	Archery Only
Oct. 05	1	0	1	Archery Only
Oct. 28	0	1	1	Youth Weekend
Oct. 29	0	1	1	Archery Only
Nov. 03	3	3	6	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 04	1	0	1	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 05	1	0	1	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 07	1	0	1	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 08	1	0	1	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 09	2	0	2	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 10	2	0	2	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 12	1	0	1	Archery & Muzzleloader
Nov. 14	10	5	15	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 15	3	0	3	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 16	5	0	5	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 17	4	0	4	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 18	2	0	2	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 22	4	0	4	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 23	1	0	1	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 24	2	0	2	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 25	3	0	3	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 27	2	0	2	Archery & Firearms
Nov. 29	1	0	1	Archery & Firearms
Dec. 02	2	0	2	Archery & Firearms
Dec. 04	1	0	1	Archery & Firearms
Dec. 09	2	0	2	Archery & Firearms
Totals	60	15	75	

On October 10, 2001; I was honored to be a part of the 10th Annual Fire Service Awards and Recognition presentation, by presenting a "Unit Citation" to members of Newport Fire/EMS. These members were awarded a "Unit Citation" for a successful rescue of an individual from the frigid waters of the Sugar River the previous year. These members worked as a team and took risks to save an injured and disoriented individual. Those members of Newport Fire/EMS who received an Unit Citation were Deputy Chief Wayne Conroy, Captain Christopher Marcotte, Lieutenant / EMT-B James Blood, EMT-I Michael Dixon, EMT-P Benjamin Holobowicz and EMT-B Melissa Patten.



Fire apparatus and equipment are checked daily and weekly for readiness. The current fleet is beginning to show its age. This has been especially true with the EMS Division lead ambulance. The ambulances are used more frequently, as they are only used for emergency transport vehicles, with the exception for sporting event coverage. These vehicles are 1992 and 1996 and are becoming problematic and were out of service several times during the past year. Thanks to the support of the community, a new ambulance is scheduled to be delivered and placed into service in the first part of 2002.

All the fire apparatus had service tests as required by the Insurance Services Organization (ISO) completed in 2001. These tests revealed that several of our pumps needed to be overhauled to be able to continue its service. Engine # 1 is a 1972, Engine #2 is a 1980, Engine # 3 is a 1978, Ladder #1 is a 1981, Utility #1 is a 1986, Engine #4 is a 1994 and the Chief's vehicle is a 1995 former police car.

A capital improvement program needs to be established for Fire/EMS with the results being an effective method of resource management and to be fiscally sound. We have been fortunate in the past year with some state grants, but we need to address these issues with some creative methods that insures proper resource management and being more fiscally sound.

The department is also tasked with numerous other duties as it relates to community service and fire safety activities. Public Education details are conducted in the grade schools. The department also conducts inspections for Hazardous Materials, Oil Burner Inspections, Life Safety and Building Code issues with the Building Official. The department also handles the enforcement and issuing of burning permits as regulated by the New Hampshire State Statues, by being sworn Fire Wardens of the State. The Chief Warden is the Fire Chief with the following deputy fire wardens being Deputy Chief Wayne Conroy, Captain Chris Marcotte, Lieutenants Jim Blood, Bill Carley, Steve Dube, and Firefighter Chris Amos.



The activity of burning permits that were issued within the Town of Newport are as follows:

	Brush	Incinerator	Cooking	Camp	Commercial	Total
January	131	22	2	2	0	157
February	24	3	0	0	0	27
March	12	13	0	0	0	25
April	73	9	0	0	0	82
May	75	46	10	19	2	152
June	136	15	8	16	0	175
July	77	14	1	6	0	98
August	44	10	5	14	0	73
September	83	9	2	7	0	101
October	50	11	0	2	0	63
November	68	7	1	0	0	76
December	129	11	0	2	0	142
Totals	913	227	12	38	2	1190

The Chief of the department is responsible for the administration, direction and control of the department, fire safety code compliance, forest fire laws, and Emergency Management. In December, the Chief took on the additional responsibilities of the Building Official. The department continues to experience “growing pains” and an increase in call volumes in both divisions.

Personnel continues to be the department’s most valuable resource and thus personnel training and protective equipment is a definite priority to properly maintain. The call firefighters must become state certified firefighters as soon as possible. Many man hours are spent in both divisions to maintain skill levels or to obtain new ones. Many times individuals must travel out of town to accomplish this. This year there were over twenty-two hundred man hours spent on training. Several individuals must travel out of town to maintain their skills or acquired new ones for certification. This past year we implemented two per diem shifts which augment the full time weekday position for the Emergency Medical Service (EMS). This position has been a tremendous asset in providing Emergency Care to our service area.

The fire department is proud of its heritage and its traditions. We are pleased that the Newport Firefighters Association and The Newport Ambulance Attendants Association continue to serve the community and it’s citizens. As Chief of Department I wish to extend my sincere appreciation and admiration to the officers, members and their families of both divisions of the fire department for their loyalty and dedication to serve. A special note of thanks to those individuals and organizations who help us “behind the scenes” especially the Newport Service Organization. Without the invaluable support that NSO provides, we would not have been able to purchase the much needed 12 lead defibrillators for two of our ambulances. We also want to thank you, our customers and taxpayers for allowing us to serve; the other department heads and personnel within our community for their cooperation; as this is what makes Newport not only a good place to work, but a great place to live.

**Peter M. Lamb,**  
**Fire Chief**



2001 has been a busy year for Newport Fire/EMS. We has a total of 882 training hours in the fire side. We started the training looking at the forestry end of things. Two classes, one on the new GPS device and the other on Wild Land Urban Interface. Other training that we covered was Electric Emergency Awareness, CPR Recertification, Responding to an Emergency Incident, DART Helo L2 Training, Low Angle Rescue, and Part I and II were all completed by EMT-I Mike Dixon and EMT-B/LT Bill Carley.

Live fire training is always fun for personnel. We had a house on Oak St. to run a few scenarios in actual smoke and fire conditions. In September, Newport Fire/EMS had two dates on search and rescue at the New London Smokehouse put on by Rob Kuell and myself. We were able to create real heat and smoke to simulate a real structure fire in a controlled atmosphere. August brought about a family picnic for all the families to enjoy, and we had a great time. I would like to thank everyone for a great year.

**Wayne Conroy,  
Deputy Fire Chief**



Deputy Chief Wayne Conroy and Chief Peter Lamb  
Helen O'Neill Photo



**HERITAGE COMMISSION  
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The Heritage Commission continues to preserve and safeguard the heritage of Newport. Members of the Commission are dedicated to conserving property values within Newport's Town Common State Historic District and Downtown National Historic District. The Commission remains constant in its role to strengthen the historic heritage for the education, pleasure, and welfare of the citizens of Newport.

The Commission meets the first Thursday of February, May, September, and December at 4:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room. The Commission may also meet at other times during the year for public hearings and special meetings.

In May, the Commission approved the removal and replacement of shingles on the roof and on two steeples of the First Baptist Church.

Larry A. Wiggins, Director of Public Works, presented the plans for Phase III of the Main Street Project, the east side of Main Street, to the Commission.

In July, the Commission discussed the design of the iron railings as part of Phase III of the Main Street Project to be erected in front of the Newport Opera House.

In August, the Commission presented its choice of iron railings on the east side of Main Street to Larry Wiggins.

In November, Kevin Dennis, a NMHS student, presented his Independent Study Project to the Commission, a design for a new encasement of the Revere Bell and a new location for the placement of the bell to provide better public viewing.

The Members appreciate Larry Wiggins' presentation to the Commission regarding the plans for Phase III of the Main Street Project and for being cognizant of preserving and maintaining the historic presentation of Main Street. The Commission extends its appreciation to the Selectmen for their approval of the new encasement and placement of the Revere Bell.

**Patrice Brewer,  
Chairman**

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT  
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**Superintendent**

Fraser L. Michaud

**Working Foreman**

Larry A. Glidden

**Truck Driver/Equipment Operators**

Wilbur G. Martin

Stephen B. Carley

Richard N. Sturtevant

William C. Scanlon, Jr.

Matthew D. Driscoll

The year 2001 gave us 43 treatable snow and/or ice storms. The Newport area received anywhere from 105" of snowfall accumulation in the low lying areas to 145" in the higher elevations. We spent most of the winter plowing, treating and widening roads and picking up snow. During the month of March, we were unable to get salt deliveries due to the state-wide shortage of salt. We were also down two truck drivers for most of the winter. We would like to thank the other Town departments for all their assistance throughout the winter.

Spring clean up was done. Streets were swept and crosswalks that could be painted were painted as well as parking lines. Pothole patching continued throughout the year until the ground froze, shoulder gravel was placed (as many shoulders were washed out in June) and culverts were replaced on various roads, roadsides were mowed, rip-rap was placed in some deep ditches, spring grading was completed, we responded to complaints of trash on the sides of roads, leaves were picked up and ditch lines were cleaned out, trees and brush were cut and trimmed along roadsides and many signs have been replaced due to vandalism and theft.

Major drainage work was completed on Chandlers Mills Road, as well as drainage work on Union Street, Paradise Road, Blaisdell Road, Fairway Avenue and Cornish Turnpike Road. Approximately three miles of ditching was completed in November.

Seventy feet of Golf Club Road was reconstructed and paved. The remainder of Golf Club Road as well as Summit Road, Sargent Lane and Pinnacle Road was shimmed with asphalt. The crew also assisted with various tasks associated with the third phase of the Main Street Project.

School Street sidewalk was repaired and many sidewalks were patched.

The parking lot for the new soccer field was completed and entrances and exits were made "one-way".

Fall grading was completed in October, leaf pick-up was completed and catch basins were cleaned. Sand barrels were put out and snow removal equipment was checked over in preparation for winter weather.

The Town took delivery on its new excavator. It is working out very well for us and we will be doing much more ditching and drainage work as the years go by. We would like to thank



the voters for their support at Town Meeting.

Three employees (Larry Glidden, William Scanlon and Richard Sturtevant) attended a "*Drainage and Gravel Road Maintenance*" seminar in April.

Fraser Michaud,  
Highway Superintendent

**JOINT LOSS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
2001 ANNUAL "SAFETY" REPORT**

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The Joint Loss Management Committee is committed to ensure the safety of Town employees in the work place. Health and Fitness newsletters are periodically sent to committee members and posted in their respected departments. In late winter, early spring several employees participated in the annual Wellness/Fitness Challenge. The committee once again set up a booth at the Health and Safety Fair sponsored by the Newport Ambulance Attendants Association. The Fire Department also held their annual Fire Safety Week. The Police Department along with the Public Works Department held in house trainings.

The Joint Loss Management Committee meets bi-monthly to review injury reports and look for new ways to eliminate or reduce injuries in the workplace. We make recommendations to provide for a safer work environment and plan safety and health related training. Safety tips and ideas are posted quarterly on each department's bulletin boards.

The Joint Loss Management Committee conducts yearly inspections of Town owned buildings to identify safety hazards and concerns. Once the inspections are complete, the Committee meets to discuss our findings and concerns. This year all the departments have made excellent attempts to correct or improve on our recommendations. Lets here it for our departments for a job well done.

The Committee has considered several training topics for the future. They include health screening clinics, CPR, exercise & workout programs, emergency first aid, humor in the workplace, self care programs, safety in the workplace, along with many others. The Committee also welcomes new and innovative ideas.

I would like to thank the committee members for their active participation and involvement in leading programs. Without them, the committee wouldn't survive, our hats off to them. It is our focus to educate Town employees on health & safety practices that can be beneficial to them and their co-workers, and their families, for a better tomorrow. We seek to make the Town of Newport a safe and healthy place to work.

At this time I would to thank Brad Lane who committed himself to the Joint Loss Management Committee for the many years he served. He has brought enthusiasm to the Town and to the committee. He will be missed among the ranks of the committee. We give you a big thank you and good luck to you in your future endeavors.

**Steven Dube Sr.,  
Chairman**



LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION  
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Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association is proud to have served residents in the Town of Newport this year. The life changing events of September 11<sup>th</sup> reminded all of us of the value of our community and our country. Our staff traveled more than 500,000 miles this year bringing care to families, friends, and neighbors in this region.

Here at LSRVNA we spent the year focusing on ways to improve the care that we provide to you. That process took many forms, from assessment of clinical practice standards to ensure a good outcome for the patient and family, to partnerships with other providers to reduce costs, and to investments in technology to improve the care we provide and give us the information we need to make well informed business decisions.

Several areas are noteworthy. First, our Hospice program cared for 91 patients, the most patients and families since its inception. The Hospice Team, including physicians, clinical staff, support staff, and over 50 volunteers worked to ensure that each patient and family received the support they needed to allow their loved one to remain at home until death.

Second, our Pediatric program expanded its services by adding highly skilled nurses who are able to provide the care necessary to keep children at home with their parents and families; children on ventilators, children with diabetes, cystic fibrosis and orthopedic problems. This means the world to families. One father stated "your service has allowed us to be a family again."

Finally, we invested in an exciting new telehomecare program. Our HomMed Sentry units allow the nurse to monitor their patient's vital signs daily, review that information here in our office and notify the physician in time to prevent serious complications.

Part of the mission of LSRVNA is to provide other community benefits for residents in the towns we serve. In addition to charity care we provided:

- Lifeline Personal Response System administration for 248 individuals
- Weekly Parent-Child Support Group including transportation and child care for more than 40 families
- Community Education Programs on CPR, caregiver training, advance directives, parenting, healthcare ethics and more
- Trained 10 Hospice volunteers
- Participated in 8 community and business health fairs



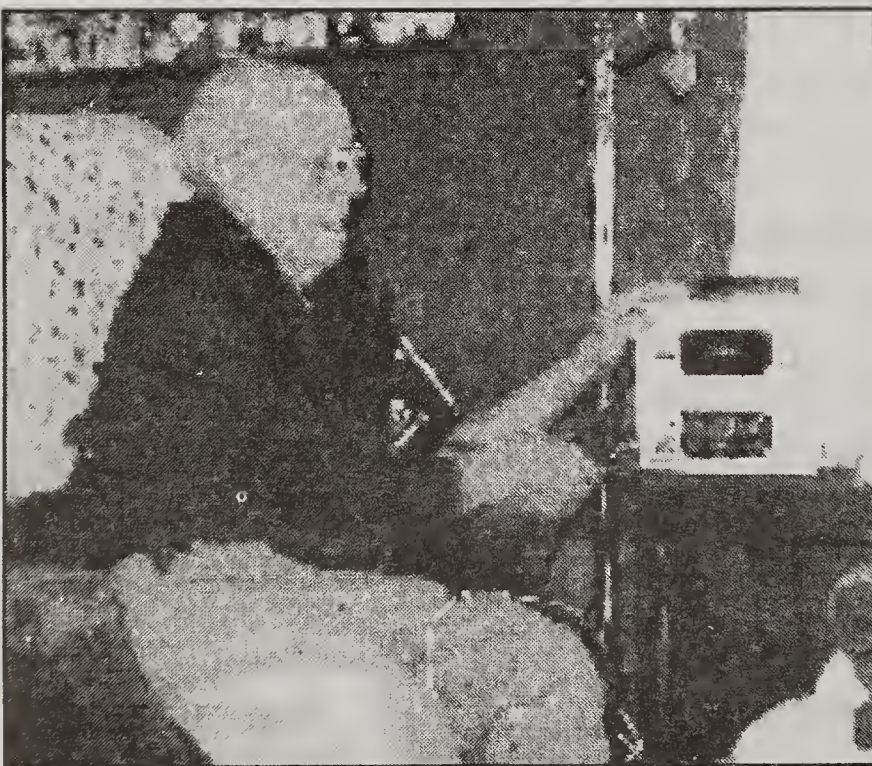
- Provided clinical and business experience, internships or job shadowing for 35 high school, technical school and college students
- Provided meeting room space for outside groups
- Provided medications for needy children
- Provided storage space and distributed food for the Kearsarge Food Pantry
- Provided bereavement support to adults and children through home visits and support groups
- Provided File of Life kits and emergency information to each patient admitted for service
- Provided 20 bicycle helmets for children to prevent injuries
- Provided more than 400 pairs of Tread-mate safety socks to home care and hospice patients as part of our Cozy-Home Safety project

This year 909 residents of Newport utilized our services. Our Home Care program provided 12,599 visits to 525 adults and children; the Hospice program cared for 27 patients and families. We provided more than 600 immunizations, Life Line services for 43 residents and home telemonitoring for 14 individuals.

Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association is grateful for your support. The Boards of Trustees and the staff join me in reaffirming their commitment to you to provide the quality home care, hospice and community services you need and expect.

**Respectfully,**

**Andrea Steel  
President and CEO**



Patient Ervin Patten



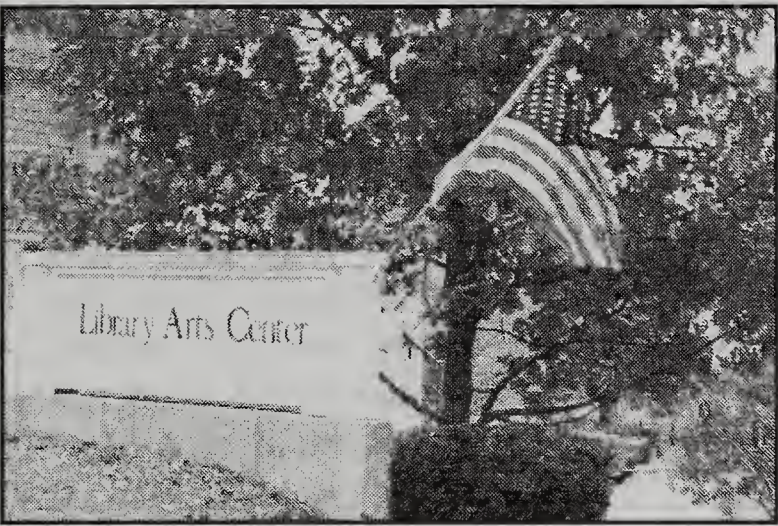
LIBRARY ARTS CENTER  
2001 ANNUAL REPORT

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Doris Nelson

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Library Arts Center  
Marty Cain Photo

Red, White and Blue, a special exhibit, was the Library Arts Center's response to September 11th and to the American flags that appeared all over the towns of the Upper Valley. Historic flags and the U.S. flag in fine arts and crafts was the theme of the exhibit. Lenders and viewers alike found solace in being able to participate in this tribute to our flag.

The LAC got a grant to offer more performances and events throughout the 2001 season, beginning at Winter Carnival with the Facets of Portraiture group exhibit, Feb. 10- Mar. 10. People pictures was the category for the Best Shot photo contest. Portraits were done on the spot by Sandy Woodcock, and the Overdrive Barbershop Quartet with Newport's own Eric Ruthenberg entertained.

The Newport Middle High School Jazz Band played at the opening of The Next Generation: Area High School and College Student Art, March 16- April 21. Oscar Binder: Paperworks exhibited in the Backstage Gallery on the same dates. Memories of Vietnam, photographs by Barbara Bickford and items from the collection of My-Chau Bui showed with the LAC Annual Photography Exhibit by the Newport Camera Club Backstage Gallery, April 27 - June 22. Related events included an RFL book discussion and a slide talk, but most memorable were the tears of some Vietnam vets who attended the Concert by Newport's Tim Kelly and Marie Pittorino on May 24th. We were all moved by Tim's original composition written in memory of his fighting buddy who died in Vietnam. On a lighter note was Kelly's "Sweet Lou," a tribute to Lou Thompson for all he has done for art and community.

The LAC Annual Fund-Raising Auction in May had donations of art, goods and services up for Auction under the gavel of Larry Wight with a big assist from Ted Niboli, LAC president. Ted's load of horse manure for the garden is a big item at the auction. Savories and refreshments by



the LAC Board make this a great event.

The NH Weavers Guild held their annual exhibit, NH Weaves 2001 June 8-July 7, after several years of showing at other places throughout the state. A reception with fashion show, demonstrations, hands-on weaving, beginners class, and a special wool dying workshop were added events. Mary Jane Cross's slide talk "Painting in Monet's Garden, Giverny" on June 19 was an update on this popular local artist. Thanks to the Friends of the Richards Free Library, Summer Performances for Kids each Thursday in July brought over 100 at a time to the side lawn to see Kathy Lowe's Rhythms, Dan Grady's Marionettes, Bob Higgin's Magic, and Bob Ross's "Bookem" juggling and variety show.

Summer is a bustle of special workshops and classes. A popular new format is for kids and parents or grandparents to take classes together: Pastels with Robert Carsten, Chinese Brush Painting with Paula Dorr, Watercolor with Ludmila Gayvoronsky or Summer Ceramics by Colleen O'Connor. We were saddened by the death of Aidron Duckworth, Carriage House Studio instructor. Thor Carlson has continued the group.

Contemporary Visions 2001 with Marty Cain, Robert Carsten, Tom Driscoll, Gary Hamel, Loren Howard, Barbara Nwacha, and Yvonne Shukovsky, July 13-August 11, was an excellent show of selected regional artists. Randy Richards of Sunapee, performed in Concert on July 13. The 2001 Juried Regional, August 17-Sept. 22, opened with a concert by el double U jazz trio. August 25 was another beautiful day for the Apple Pie Craft Fair Pete Merrigan, and the Orzechowski's Sugar River String Band entertaining. Anne Kathan chaired the event and gathered all the pie bakers. Heather Cumming's apple pie took first prize in the contest.

The shock of the Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> attacks on NY and Washington suspended animation for many, but the arts are a valuable source of spirit and renewal. The LAC went ahead with planned poetry events, Colours of the Tiger on Sept. 14 and a reading by NH Poet Laureate, Marie Harris on Sept. 20, followed by an evening with poet Cynthia Huntington. Red, White and Blue, October 26-Nov. 11, was the special exhibit of the US Flag in art, craft and history.

Quilts: An American Legacy exhibit by the Soo-Nipi Quilt Guild, Sept. 28-Oct. 20, draws visitors from all over the country. A Traditional Arts Grant from the NH State Council on the Arts was awarded to the LAC and the guild for preserving this important craft. The Newport Service Organization Fashion Show Oct. 21 had a sell out crowd. Nov. 16-Dec. 21 featured "Peaceable Kingdom", gifts, fine arts and crafts for sale, with Barbara McAllister's paintings and carvings of barnyard animals featured in main gallery decorated by Heidi Bartlett and Helen Skarin. The Art of Russian Orphans was on exhibit in the Backstage Gallery. The opening included a performance of flute and harpsichord. Priscilla's Corner, a tribute to Priscilla Hill, featured donated items, and low priced gifts for children to purchase and wrap. Throughout December, area organizations find the LAC a wonderful setting for their Holiday parties.

Other events and classes are ongoing throughout the year: Carriage House Studio, The Newport Camera Club and weekly "Art After School" sponsored by a grant from the Newport Charitable Fund. The Performance and Poetry events throughout the year were partly funded by a grant



from the NH State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts, matched by generous sponsorships from area businesses. The LAC operates without tax support from the town. Memberships, business donations, fund-raisers, and grants, plus income from an endowment make up the budget. The high quality of visual arts programming has won the Arts Center grants and awards. The LAC is active in the NH Visual Arts Coalition and other established arts organizations. It is a well designed and beautiful space for a small town facility. So much is accomplished with the help of area businesses sponsorships and individual support, with special thanks for the paid memberships renewed each year. Behind the scenes are many volunteers who have come when called throughout the year, including the dedicated LAC Board.

Contributions to the Library Arts Center in memory of Priscilla Hill and a generous donation of the proceeds from the quilt raffle by the Soo-Nipi Quilters are enabling the LAC to do some needed improvements in the gallery and kitchen as we enter 2002, which will mark the 35th Anniversary of this cultural asset to Newport.

**Doris Nelson,  
Executive Director**



Red, White, & Blue Show - 10/26/01  
Doris Nelson Photo

**POLICE REPORT  
2001 ANNUAL REPORT**

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Aries

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Detective Sergeant Denis J. O'Sullivan.....	Corporal Craig M. Robertson
Corporal James C. Burroughs.....	Patrolman Richard G. Lee
Patrolman William R. Russell.....	Patrolman Timothy L. Barone
Patrolman Heather A. Shea.....	Patrolman Michael J. Batista
Probationary Officer Justin R. Merrill.....	School Resource Officer Aaron B. Aldridge

**Part-Time Officers**

Robert Ballou (Capt. Ret.).....	Officer Eric Daignault
Probationary Part Time Officer Christopher Batista.....	

**Full Time Communications Specialists**

John Taylor	Susan Gregory	Cara Tibbits	Terri Stone
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**Part-Time Communications Specialists**

Amy Maslan.....	Sylvia McElreavy
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**Crossing Guard**

Mary Colby.....

In my 9<sup>th</sup> year as Chief of Police for Newport, I report the following:

The year 2001 saw the first ever Newport Police Department's Awards Ceremony. It is department policy to give awards and commendations to the officers and dispatchers, and through a change in administration, this procedure was followed in grand style this year. The ceremony was held during National Police Officer Week in May. Examples of awards given are: Officer/Communications



Specialist of the Year; Medal of Honor, Exceptional Duty, Lifesaving, and many more. There were many years of awards to be given out, and no one was forgotten. Families and employees alike enjoyed a catered dinner followed by the presentation of awards. We also awarded a Citizen of the Year Award to Roy Malool, for his continued support of the Newport Police Department. This is a policy we will be following yearly.

No special warrant articles for the Newport Police Department were filed and none have been filed for this year.

Through the efforts and research of SRO Aldridge, Newport Police Department was awarded a grant for a Youth Attendance Program (YAP). This program is designed to be a supervised venue to house juvenile non-offenders as an alternative to secure detention. We currently have the only YAP in Sullivan County. We have two beds available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Sullivan County agencies are welcome to use this program, at no cost to them. The only obligation of the referring agency is to transport and comply with the program guidelines. This program has been very useful, especially with runaway juveniles.

SRO Aldridge completed G.R.E.A.T. (Gang Resistance Education And Training) program training in Phoenix, Arizona in November 2001, which certified him to teach G.R.E.A.T. classes to fourth and sixth grades. He began teaching the new curriculum in January of 2002. Newport applied for and received a grant to fund the G.R.E.A.T. program. The grant paid for all training, and transportation to Phoenix as well as materials and supplies for the program throughout the year.

SRO Aldridge also applied for and received a grant for bicycle helmets, which were passed out to students at the Bicycle Rodeo held in May at Towle School. Twenty-five helmets were given to children, free of charge, for those who could not afford them.

With the combined efforts of Officer Aaron Aldridge and Lt. James Brown, along with the State of New Hampshire Liquor Commission, a successful liquor I.D. check was completed in the stores of Newport which sell liquor. The purpose of this "sting" liquor operation was to ensure that area stores are complying with the legal age limit to purchase alcohol. Stores that did not sell to an undercover agent working with the New Hampshire Liquor Commission received a letter of congratulations. However, stores that sold liquor to under-age subjects received a warning letter and a promise of another test, with fines and penalties to be assigned if further under-age selling activity was seen.

The department K-9 team, consisting of Patrolman Russell and partner Aries were certified as a team in patrol work. In the year 2002, they will begin training in drug detection and become certified. Patrolman Russell and Aries attend training weekly in different parts of New Hampshire and are members of the New Hampshire K-9 Foundation. The dog continues to be a major resource for the department with minimal expense.

Last summer the bicycle patrol was not utilized due to the fact we did not have the manpower to properly train or utilize the bikes. Without the program, there was a difference noted in downtown activity of mischief and other calls which occurred during the evening hours. This summer it looks like we will have at least one officer on a bike and hopefully two.

The Newport Police Department Special Operations Team is made up of officers from Newport and Sunapee and has been training diligently this year, and responded to the first actual Tactical Team call, which took place in Sunapee at the request of the U.S. Marshals. That particular call ended in tragedy, as the suspect died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound after a 70 minute standoff, but the Tactical Team did a great job with the task at hand in ensuring the safety of the area and personnel. The members of the Team have to be at the ready 24 hours, seven days a week for any call in which they might be needed. Members have to have all their tactical equipment with them at all times, even when not on duty. These team members are very dedicated and do a great service for the Town of Newport, as well as surrounding area towns, as they are not compensated for their efforts, yet they are willing to be at our service at any time, for a tactical or active shooter situation, and as you can imagine, there are many long hours of training.

The end of the year 2000 saw one of our detectives leave and go to another area department for better hours and more pay. That left the department, once again, with an opening that needed to be filled. Sergeant Denis O'Sullivan was selected to be promoted to the open Detective position and started in May of 2001. He has served the Town of Newport for many years as a patrol officer, and will be a fine addition to the detective bureau.

The police department also received new cruisers for the year 2001. All of the old cruisers had over 100,000 miles on them and were in constant need of repair. A lot of the work on the new cruisers, such as installing the light bars, radios, etc. has been done by myself, saving the town approximately \$1500.00 per car.

The prosecution department handled many cases this year, most of which were successfully prosecuted. Each year there is an increase in cases prosecuted, keeping the prosecution staff very busy.

### **Statistical Review 2001**

Most incidents occurred on Saturdays (Thursday in 2000) with 16.8% on a daily basis. 8:00 p.m. to 12:00 p.m. is the busiest time with 26.3% of incidents happening.

The least busiest day was Sunday (Same as 2000) with 12.4% of calls occurring. August 2001 was the busiest month (9.5%) with February 2001 being the slowest month with 7.4%.

Most incidents (43%) happened in the home (apartment, condo, etc) followed by on the road (28%) and then in school (9%).

22% of crime victims were acquainted with the offender, 17% were strangers and 12% were neighbors.

Value of stolen property was \$103,004.00 and value of property recovered was \$92,632.00.

There was a 4.5% increase in calls for service in the year 2001 compared to the year 2000.



## Arrests & Victims

The majority of victims are 35-54 years old (26%) followed by 11-17 years old (22%) then 25-34 years old (21%).

Most arrests take place on Thursday (22%) with the least taking place on Saturday (11%).

The average age of persons arrested is 11-17 (36%), 18-24 (25%) and 55 or older (1%).

Most arrests are from simple assault (13.13%).

## Traffic

The average speed limit in town is 34 mph. The average speed of vehicles in town is 51 mph, (53 in 2000). Of all the motor vehicles stopped for a traffic violation 82% were given warnings.

The total revenue collected by the State for motor vehicle offenses (fines only, non-court) was \$19,230.00.

The three most dangerous roads for motor vehicle accidents:

John Stark Highway 16.61%

North Main Street 12.99%

Sunapee Street 12.68%

The majority (35.34%) of motor vehicle accidents occur between 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Friday is the busiest day for motor vehicle accidents and Sunday has the least amount of accidents.

Of all traffic offenders 36% are between the ages of 36-55 years of age, followed by 23% between the ages of 26-35 and 4% are under the age of 19.

I would like to thank all the agencies, businesses, and citizens who have assisted and supported the police department this year.

**David A. Hoyt,  
Police Chief**





**Members of Newport's Safety Services:  
Sue Gregory, Police Chief David Hoyt, Denis O'Sullivan,  
William Russell, Jr., & Aries  
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**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
2001 Annual Report**

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Fred Faulkner

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**Highway Dept.   Water & Sewer Dept.   Cemetery & Grounds Dept.   Sewage Treatment Plant**

In addition to the normal maintenance activities, 2001 found the department involved in numerous projects. A brief description and status of those projects is as follows:

**INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

**Fuel Storage Tank Program**

As required by the NH Department of Environmental Services (NHDES), the Public Works Department continued the Town's program of tank removal and remediation at several Town properties.

The sites at the Recreation Center, Parkview Sewer Ejector Station and 22 Fairway Avenue have been officially closed by the NHDES. A site is "*closed*" when no further investigation is required (for soil or water contamination). The remaining work for these sites is to process invoicing and reimbursement requests. After the Town's deductible is met at each site, the department will apply for reimbursement of eligible engineering and remediation work through the Oil Discharge and Disposal Clean up Fund.

In accordance with direction received from the NHDES, monitoring wells were installed at the Guild Ejector Station site. A Site Investigation Report was submitted to the NHDES based on soil tests and monitoring well data from the site.

Work continued on the Activity Use Restriction for the Meadow Park Site (Former Town Garage site), however, completion of the AUR was delayed pending the receipt of survey data.

**Pollards Mills Bridge**

After the vote at the 2001 Town Meeting to construct a one-lane conventional bridge at the Pollards Mills site, the department requested construction funding through the NHDOT Bridge Aid Program. An engineering services contract was negotiated with SEA Consultants, Inc. and submitted to the NHDOT for approval. The bridge is scheduled for construction in the summer of 2002. Construction will require closure of Pollards Mills Road (at the bridge site) and traffic will have to detour around the site via Route 10.

### **Main Street**

In continuation of the Main Street Project, plans and specifications were prepared for improvements to the sidewalk, retaining wall and lighting from the Lewis Block to the Sullivan County Cooperative Extension building. The project was completed in October of 2001.

### **South Main Street Sewer Reconstruction Project**

The project will replace the sewer main and sewer services (to the right-of-way) from the traffic lights to just south of Laurel Street. Project plans and specifications were completed, reviewed by the Public Works Department and approved by the NHDOT and the NHDES in late 2001. Construction is scheduled to start in May, 2002. Traffic flow on South Main Street will be maintained throughout the project. The department has obtained funding for most of the project via the NHDES State Revolving Loan Fund.

### **Cheney Street Infrastructure Project**

The Cheney Street Project will address water, sewer, and drainage systems as well as roads, sidewalks and utilities in the Cheney Street area from roughly DeWalt Avenue to Highland Avenue. Conceptual plans were completed in late 2001. The Department will obtain Board of Selectmen and residents approval in the spring of 2002 via a project walkthrough. Construction is scheduled for the summer of 2005. The department secured funding for the initial engineering through the NHDES State Revolving Loan Fund and will continue to apply for low interest loans and grants for engineering and construction through the NHDES Drinking Water (DWSRF) and Wastewater (SRF) State Revolving Loan Programs and the Rural Development Grant Program.

### **Parkview Ejector Station**

With the feasibility report in hand, the department is continuing with engineering and funding applications to replace the sewer ejector station at Parkview Street with a gravity sewer (to the sewer main on Cross Street). Preliminary engineering has determined that the gravity sewer should be very cost effective in comparison to replacing the station with a new submersible pump station.

### **Water Tank Project**

The water tank project was closed out in September of 2001 with the processing of final requisitions (one year after substantial completion) and application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and DWSRF funds.



## MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

An engineering report was completed determining an appropriate watershed protection limit around Gilman Pond (the Town's water supply).

The NHDES reviewed the status of the Town's proposed Industrial Pretreatment Program. Further action on the program is dependent on direction from the NHDES.

The department assisted with conversion of the western portion of the snow dump area on Sunapee Street to Campbell Park.

## MISCELLANEOUS

The year 2001 was an especially difficult year due to staffing. During the period of January to April, the Highway Department had three vacancies (of a total crew of six) due to employees leaving and worker's compensation injuries. This fact, in combination with the frequency and tremendous amount of snowfall received, required the remaining crew to put in extended overtime hours. In addition, the Water & Sewer Department had two vacancies, so additional trained backup truck drivers were unavailable. It was through the assistance of the Police Department, Fire Department and Sewage Treatment personnel that snow removal continued throughout the winter. In the spring of 2001, Highway Superintendent Fraser Michaud was out for an extended period due to medical reasons.

Throughout the adversity, with an extra effort from all, normal maintenance continued and the department's projects were completed as scheduled.

The new employees at Public Works (at year's end) are:

John Shull, Utilities Technician

Kevin Evans, Public Works Laborer

On behalf of the department, I wish to thank the Town for its support of the department's equipment purchases. New and efficient equipment is always appreciated, however this is especially true when short on staff.

**Larry A. Wiggins,  
Director of Public Works**





William Scanlon, Jr., Larry Wiggins, Fraser Michaud, Bob Naylor  
Michael Denno, and John Shull  
Helen O'Neill Photo



**RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
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Kathryn Plouffe

**Ice Hut**

Barbara Beauchaine

Kathryn Plouffe

**Day Camp**

Kathy Gardner, Director

John Hopkins

Jenn Johnston

Angela Thomas

Doug Morse

Nicole Galloway

Megan Shomphe

Chris Boyd

Jill Morse

**B-ball Coordinator**

Keith Degraffe

**Volunteers**

110+

The year 2001 graced us with many things to be thankful for. After September 11<sup>th</sup> we realized the true value of American Spirit. As we prayed for the victims, their families, and the heroic rescue workers, we took a look at ourselves and asked how can we help. Each year over 100 volunteers devote hour upon hour of their lives to enrich the quality of life of our kids. These generous folks have been helping all along, each and every year, day in and day out. We thank our volunteers. They give a bit of themselves to help the kids of a wonderful town grow up to thrive in a wonderful country. Remember how lucky we truly are.

Indoor programs have begun to level out here at the Recreation Department. The growth we have experienced over the last few years has now slowed down. Program numbers fluctuate with the times, the weather, and other variables. The reason for the leveling out has to do with lack of space. We can't house any more indoor programs (winter, especially) due to our facility space. For 8 years there has been many groups and committees working on new facility projects. We can only hope a plan is made that will allow us to meet the needs of our community in the future.

Despite one of the warmest winters on record, the skating rink was again one of the best winter activities around. Families could skate, have a hot dog, a bit of cocoa, and a great time right in town. Local residents and business owners donated over \$5000 to light up the common for nighttime skating. John Coronis and Betty Maiola led the fundraising campaign to light the wonderful rink. Again, we have to thank all the donors and friends who made it possible.



The Recreation Department brought in \$45,000 in revenue in the year 2001 while running over 50 programs for ages 2-102. New programs added this year include an over 35 men's basketball league, family trip program, and a preschool craft hour. Programs were enjoyed by many, as the focus is shifting to offering more events for the entire family. We look forward to providing more services to the Town's citizens. Thank you for your support over the years.

On the whole, 2001 was a very successful year. We enjoyed our movies at Meadow Park, Easter egg hunt on the common, a successful skating season, and the many additional activities sponsored by your local Recreation Department. Thanks to all the Town Departments who have help fuel our success this past year. The volunteers again are owed a debt of gratitude for their dedication and desire to help our youth. To my staff, thank you, your efforts will never go unnoticed.

**PJ Lovely,  
Director of Recreation**



Ice Hut, 2001  
MaryAnn Fellows Photo



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	Roger Nelson

**Library Staff**

Andrea Thorpe, Library Director .....	Victoria Carl, Assistant Librarian
Shannon Poehlman, Children's Librarian .....	Janice Brehio, Library Assistant
Harriet Davis, Library Assistant .....	
Jessica Brewer, Page .....	Mary Hogan, Page

The library was busier than ever in 2001. Circulation rose 2%. Visits to the library increased by 11%. Library staff answered 11% more reference questions. There was a 45% increase in the use of meeting rooms. Computer use in the library rose by 25% and attendance at children's programs rose by 39%.

The Trustees working with the Town on a Certified Local Government grant began planning for the renovations of the library and the arts center to bring the buildings into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The firm of Tennant and Wallace was selected for the project. The architects are working on a design to make the building accessible to everyone.

The library in conjunction with the county extension service obtained a grant to work with a group of home schooled children to map area farms that participate in the Farmer's Market. As part of the grant the library received GIS mapping software that now resides on the library's computers. It is available for anyone to learn how to create maps of just about anything, from hiking trails to watersheds.

Earlier last year, the library instituted a Favorite Authors Program. Interested patrons sign up to be notified when the newest books by their favorite authors arrive at the library. It enables readers to never miss the newest John Grisham or Nicholas Spark book.

Shannon Poehlman, children's librarian, has presented over 200 programs this year attracting over 4500 children to the library. The programs included toddler and preschool storyhours, Montshire Museum exhibits and the popular Summer Reading Program.

Adults participated in just over two programs every month featuring book discussions on Vietnam, author visits, travelogues, and history lectures. In October Anita Shreve appeared on the Opera House stage to receive the Sarah Josepha Hale Award.

In December the Trustees awarded the second annual Pamela Gay award for volunteerism to longtime volunteer, Dorothy Collins. She accepted the award at the annual volunteer tea.

The family of Linda Rollins Harwick established a fund dedicated to children of Newport in honor of Mrs. Harwick's ninetieth birthday. Income from the endowment will be used to purchase new furniture and books for the children's room.

The library staff and Trustees want to thank all the people, organizations and businesses that continue to contribute to the library. Special thanks to our core group of volunteers who volunteer their time and talents each month at the library: Nelson Aldrich, Dorothy Collins, Penny Holt, Pauline Horan, Mary Lou Howard, Barbara Kvetcovsky, Marty Lovely, Virginia Parker, and Patrice Shortall.

**Andrea Thorpe,  
Library Director**



**TOWN OFFICE OF PLANNING & ZONING**  
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The Town Office of Planning and Zoning's (T.O.P.A.Z.) Annual Report is organized according to the different functions that the office is responsible for and includes reports for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment.

**BUILDING INSPECTIONS**

**Permits**

A. TOPAZ issued 246 building permits in the year 2001 for total estimated construction costs of \$4,610,310.52. Six demolition permits were issued for buildings. The Town received fees totaling \$13,319.04 for all of these various permits and the certificates of occupancy.

**Other Activities**

A. Citizens doing business with the Office of Planning and Zoning will notice a marked difference in the atmosphere of the department. The "new face" of the department reflects not only the new location (out of the basement and onto the handicapped accessible main level), and the new faces of Julie Collins as the Planning & Zoning Coordinator, and Sandy Ouellette as a part time assistant. Both Sandy and Julie are working with the Fire Department in issuing permits, reviewing projects, and scheduling inspections for projects within the Town of Newport. We believe that this transition has had an affirmative effect on the ability to assist property owners with their building needs. TOPAZ is open from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

**PLANNING BOARD**

**Public Hearings**

A. The Planning Board held twenty-two public hearings in 2001. Seven of the hearings involved property annexations; one voluntary merger, five subdivisions; eight site plan reviews; and one hearing on the proposed Conservation (CN) District. Six of the annexations were in the Rural (R) District; and one was in the Single Family (R-1) District. Four of the subdivisions were in the Rural (R) District; and one was in the Industrial (I) District. New commercial projects that required site plan review include Jim's Marine Sales, B&B Campers, Hubert's Department Store, Newport Shopping Plaza, Gloucester Engineering Company, Inc., and a new parking lot at St. Patrick's Parish.

## **Other Activities**

- A. The Planning Board has decided to suspend its review of the possible adoption of the International Building Code until the State of NH has made its final decision regarding the same adoption.
- B. Howard Dunn was re-elected Chairman and Pauline Andrews was elected Vice Chairman of the Planning Board respectively.

## **ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

### **Public Hearings**

A. The ZBA held thirty-four public hearings in 2001. Nine of the cases were variances for the use of properties; eight involved reducing setbacks; two involved increased signage; one involved a request for two principle dwellings on one lot; three cases requested permission to expand or alter non-conforming structures. All of the variances were granted with the exception of one request for an auto inspection station in the Rural (R) District that was denied. There were eleven cases that were for special exceptions. Two were for home businesses; four were for expansion or alteration of a non-conforming structure (that would not make the structure more non-conforming); three were for mixed use of property; one involved a request to live in a travel trailer for a certain time period in order to live on a property while the owners built their new home; and one was a request to excavate soil. All of the special exceptions were granted.

## **GRANTS**

### **Child Care Center Feasibility Grant –**

The Cinnamon Street Child Care Center is the beneficiary of a \$12,000.00 C.D.B.G. feasibility grant. The purpose of the grant is to do a conceptual architectural study of constructing a new building and renovating an existing building. \$1800.00 of the grant money will pay for its administration by TOPAZ. A preliminary survey of the children who are served by the center indicates that approximately 56% of them are from low to moderate income households. This grant progress was delayed due to the search for a new site in which to house this facility. At this point, the grant process is continuing, and negotiations are underway for the acquisition of a feasible property.

### **Richards Free Library CLG Grant –**

On June 25, 2001, the former Planning Director and Library Director met with the architect, Tom Wallace, of the firm, Tennant/Wallace, Architects, AIA, PA, and negotiated a contract for architectural services for a fee of \$9,700.00 to produce preliminary architectural plans for the Richards Free Library ADA Project. Tom Wallace signed the contract on Friday, July 6, 2001 on behalf of his firm, Daniel P. O'Neill, Town Manager, on behalf of the Town, and Andrea Thorpe on behalf of the Richards Free Library Board of Trustees.



## MISCELLANEOUS

The main responsibility of the Planning Office is to facilitate existing and/or future property owners in the research of past projects and especially in the renovation, restoration, or building of a new home or business facility within our town limits. Our function is to assist these individuals in enhancing our community by doing these projects within the parameters and confines of the codes and ordinances we have in place. We encourage homeowners to invest in their homes, thus improving our community as a whole. We also would like to promote the confidence and presentation that allows our existing businesses to expand, as well as attract new commercial enterprises to locate and/or expand in Newport.

In addition to providing assistance to Town Departments and the Planning and Zoning Boards, we process permit applicants, provide information to the public, serve as the Planning and Zoning liaison with Town Counsel, obtain planning and zoning information from the NH Office of State Planning and the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission, and enforce site plan, subdivision, zoning, and building code regulations.

We are grateful to those members who serve on the boards associated with the Planning and Zoning Office, and realize that they donate a most precious gift, their *time* to the Newport community. In doing this they create a just group of peers that are capable of making important decisions that ultimately impact the entire community. We strongly urge members of the Newport community to do the same by volunteering their skills to any board that might mirror their interests. This year, the Zoning Board of Adjustment is in particular need of citizens who could serve as alternate members to this Board.

**Julie M. Collins,  
Planning & Zoning Coordinator**



New Construction - Coronis  
Julie Collins Photo



New Construction - Burnham  
Julie Collins Photo



**WASTE DISPOSAL ADVISORY STUDY COMMITTEE  
2001 ANNUAL REPORT**

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Our committee was formed in July of 2000 in response to a warrant article passed during our annual Town Meeting of that year. Our goal is to gather information, investigate various options, including financial issues, and ultimately recommend to the Board of Selectmen possible plans for implementation as a long term solution (beyond 2007) for Newport's solid waste disposal issues.

Towards that goal committee members were able to participate in the Governor's Recycling Program's tour of several transfer stations which included: Meredith, Ashland, and Plymouth, NH. This gave us a first hand view of the operations of other facilities within our state. The best of these operations included practices such as:

- recycling shingles
- glass crushing
- composting
- brush grinding
- swap areas (for recycling used, but usable, items)

Current work includes compiling the Business and Industrial survey that we designed and mailed to all industrial, business, and municipal entities. This mailing had us send out over 270 surveys, of which nearly one-third were returned to us. Once summarized we will make the results available to all citizens of Newport. Two interesting outcomes of this survey, were the gathering of what is likely the most complete listing of all business entities within the town of Newport, and the fact that none of our municipal entities; town offices, county offices, and school district, engage in any substantial recycling and waste reduction efforts.

Through our information gathering we have learned that an informed public will absolutely be needed in order for future solid waste reduction decisions to be understood and supported. Therefore we have applied for a grant, that if approved, will help us with the educational facet that is necessary for our Selectboard and community to have, in order to make responsible waste disposal decisions.

Future goals for this year is working with the Newport School District in gathering data and quantifying the waste reduction results, begin work on the initial phase of educating the populace including: municipal entities, industry, business, and residents, and summarize the different waste disposal options and their cost, and prepare them for presentation to the selectboard prior to next year's Town Meeting. We also plan to attend the NRRA (Northeast Resource Recovery Association) annual convention in Manchester in June for updates on the best practices within the recycling industry.

**Guenter K. Hubert,  
Chairman**



## WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

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### Plant Superintendent

Arnold L. Greenleaf

### Plant Operator

Wayne Palmer

The year began with the official startup of the new Eutek "Teacup" degritting system. It took some time and experimenting with the equipment, but we finally got it so that it is capable of doing the job we need it to. The removal capability of the unit is based on flow velocity. It had been difficult to try and get it set correctly as we would no more than get it right, when the inflow to the plant would drop lower due the extremely dry weather. It was a case of chasing the flow in a downward spiral until it finally bottomed out and the unit could be set and left to do its work.

We again this year made further improvements in upgrading various operational equipment in the plant; new influent flow meter, new bulbs in the UV system, rebuilt one 60 hp. aeration blower, plus replaced the second 60 hp. blower with a new unit and did additional modifications to the septage holding tank to facilitate handling of it after treatment. All of the existing aerators in lagoon #1 were replaced with a new fine bubble aeration system. This change alone has made a tremendous improvement in the quality of our treatment process, as well as being a great energy saver. It was not until late summer that we finally began work on the underground fuel tank replacement program. The project was rather drawn out due to the work required to remove the old fuel lines, closing out the two old in-ground tanks and excavating for the new 10,000 gal tank. This project took us until mid-October before we finally had the installation complete and fully operational.

Algae blooms continued to plague our discharge throughout the first half of the year and phosphorus appears to be the culprit. The nutrient is creating the algae bloom, which in turn causes gross solids violations over our discharge limit. Starting in July we stopped adding any septage to the lagoons. We started holding it in our storage tank and had the solids hauled away. We found that this made an immediate improvement in the quality of the lagoon discharge and the violations stopped. We now have a policy that no further septage is to be put into the lagoons. All the solids are being hauled off site and only the remaining water that is treated for phosphorus is being discharged to the lagoon. This has resulted in additional expenditure of money and labor, but the improvement in our treatment process has been well worth the effort.

Plant personnel spent time this summer at the landfill on Breakneck Road clearing brush and mowing the site. The wells and surface water sites were inspected and sampled twice for the year.

Both plant operators attended classes for chemical use, lab operations, safety and regulatory changes throughout the year to maintain our operator certification. Arnold Greenleaf was elected to a 2-year term on the Certification Committee for the NH Water Pollution Control Association.

The Industrial Pretreatment Program (IPP) work is still ongoing. There must be an extra effort on everyone's part to eliminate the disposal of any volatile, petroleum, and hazardous or toxic compounds into the sewer system that could impact the treatment system. There is a tremendous amount of fats, oils and greases being disposed of into the sewer system, unfortunately it is not breaking down and is ending up as large clumps in our wetwells or going through the plant and floating on the surface of the lagoons. This results in time being spent to skim it off the surface before it becomes a treatment problem. There is literature available at the plant and Town office that can provide information on how to properly dispose of fats, oils, greases and hazardous waste rather than discarding it to the sewer system.

For those interested in weather data, our annual recorded precipitation here at the plant was 34.59". That was 8.10" less moisture for the year than we received in 2000 and 5.72" less than our 30 year average of 40.31".

As a result of the decreased precipitation we had a proportional decrease in flow to the plant of slightly over 34 million gallons for the year, almost 96,000 gallons per day less than we had in 2000. The decrease in flow was directly attributable to the lack of moisture. 2000 figures are in parentheses.

WASTEWATER.....	230,889,000	(265,750,000)
SEPTAGE.....	270,650	(221,750)

**Arnold L. Greenleaf,**  
**Plant Superintendent**



**WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT  
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Amy Spreadbury

The year 2001 has been reported to have been one of the driest years on record. The water levels of our lakes, rivers, and wells are still low, and we are looking forward to wet weather.

The September 11<sup>th</sup> events have resulted in increased security of utilities and review of our emergency systems.

We have completed the building construction of the upgrade to the old chlorine house and have begun renovating the interior of our PRV building on Unity Road.

It has been another year of personnel changes, with three employees hired and two employees leaving the Water & Sewer Department.

At the water filtration plant, we have made major improvements to our control system. We now have remote telemetry and datalogging capability, and increased security of our system.

In December, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services conducted a sanitary survey of the Town of Newport water system. The survey evaluated the capacity of the water system's sources, treatment, distribution, and management to continuously produce safe drinking water. The report noted no deficiencies in our water system. However, we are encouraged to continue to be active in making improvements to our water system.

The Wastewater pumping stations required several repairs. These included replacement of generator cooling system hoses, a generator starter and a new ejector control valve.

Newport Water & Sewer Department personnel received professional development training in *Wastewater Collection Systems, Wet Weather Sewer Flows, Consumer Reporting, Drinking Water Sampling, Gravel Pack Wells, Cleaning Water Mains, Process Modeling and Design, Valve Operation and Maintenance, Water System Security, and Storm Event Reporting.*

Mike McGill, Utility Technician has passed examinations and received certification for Water Treatment Operator Grade II and Distribution System Operator Grade II.

The Water Filtration Facility continues to consistently produce high quality water. Water Production in 2001 was 10% lower than in 2000.

Annual Water Production Gallons 2001 (2000)

Total Flow	195,250,470	(216,995,816)
Average Daily Flow	534,933	(586,290)
Max. Daily Flow	707,700	(678,600)

The Newport Water Department had no permit violations in 2001. The water produced by Newport Water Works meets or exceeds all Federal and State drinking water standards.

Operational Statistics

Test Meters For Accuracy	22	Meter Replacement	44
Frozen Meters	15	Water Turned On	16
Water Turned Off	16	Line Location	22
Manholes Located	13	Curbsstop Repairs	25
Water Quality Calls	16	Road Repairs	15
Filters Cleaned	34	Hydrant Repairs	26
Manhole Repairs	22	New Water Services	3

We look forward to the future and continued water and sewer system improvements. This year our projects will include South Main Street sewer line replacement and Cheney Street project engineering, in addition to hydrant replacement, water and sewer system line replacement and repairs.

I would like to thank the Utility Technicians for their hard work and dedication towards improving and maintaining our water and wastewater systems. I would also like to thank our water and sewer customers for their input and suggestions. Please call us if you have any comments or suggestions. We always welcome suggestions and will do our best to answer any water or wastewater questions you may have.

**Robert K. Naylor,**  
**Water & Sewer Superintendent**



**Old Chlorine House (Before Upgrade)**



**Sodium Silicate Building (After Our Upgrade)**





**WELFARE —TOWN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**  
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Linda Pappas

Community Alliance of Human Services administered the Town of Newport's public assistant program during 2001 for the seventh consecutive year. The collaborative working relationship we share with Town Officials has been central to the program's success. We feel that partnership has served the residents of Newport well.

One hundred thirteen applications were given out and eighty-two families received financial assistance during the calendar year. In addition to providing direct relief, we were able to compare an individual's or family's income, assets, and special circumstances to the eligibility guidelines for more than seventy State and community programs through use of the Wired Wizard Computer Software Program. That resource allows us to effectively refer individuals and families to appropriate State and local resources (fuel assistance programs, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Partners In Health, local food pantries, etc.).

Funds through the town assistance program provide for the basic needs of individuals and families. Rent or shelter, fuel, electricity, and medical assistance are available to qualified Newport residents. Financial responsibility is an important aspect of the program. Residents who are determined able are required to pay assistance monies back to the Town. Some recipients are able to work in the CASP (Community Assistance Service Program) and thus repay the Town for the assistance they have received. During 2001 Newport recovered \$411.45 from previous expenditures and another \$170.50 from one individual who worked in the CASP program.

The food pantry continued to be an important community effort providing food, and in some cases funds, for those in need. We are grateful to this organization for their flexibility, efficiency, and cooperation in serving Newport residents.

Partners In Health is an invaluable local asset. Providing low cost health screenings, diagnostics, and prescriptions, their services contribute significantly to the health and well-being of Newport residents.

Community Alliance provided free transportation services for twenty-two individuals in need of transportation to Claremont in order to apply for other social services, register at the employment office, or get to a doctor's appointment. Financial support was also given to Newport residents who did not have the means to finance their much-needed dental care, through the Alliance Dental Program.



During 2001 the Alliance continued to actively participate in and represent the Town on the NH Local Welfare Administrators Association. Our involvement allows us to remain knowledgeable on the many changes that have and continue to occur in the area of welfare reform.

The Newport Town Assistance office is located at the Alliance's Administrative Office, 46 North Main Street. It is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We may be reached by telephone at 863-9529.

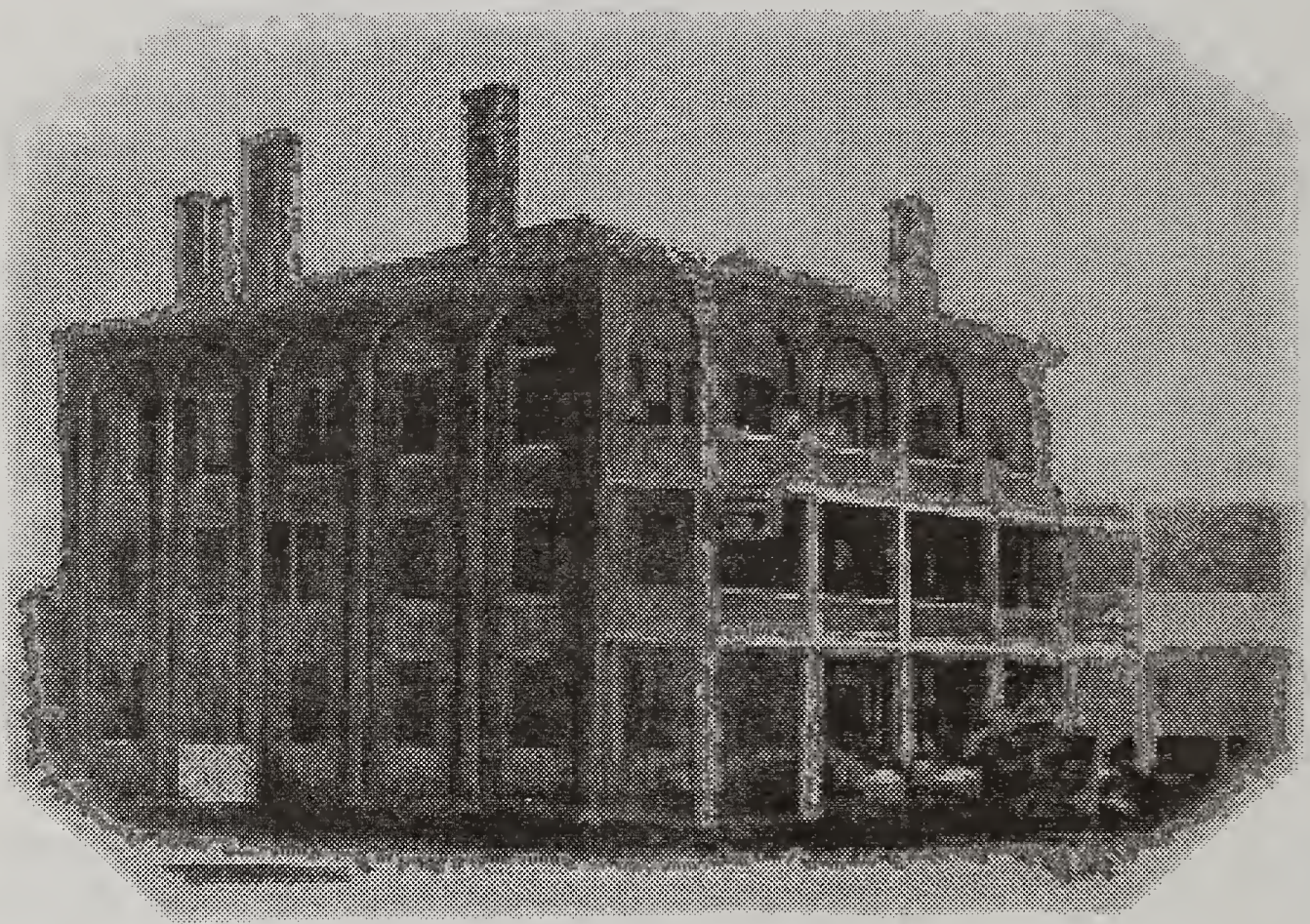
We feel the partnership we have formed with the Newport Community in this area has been very successful and has served the residents of Newport well. A breakdown of assistance provided during 2001 includes:

Rent:	\$16,080	Fuel:	\$1,595
Electric:	\$ 2,682	Medical:	\$ 554
Funerals:	\$ 1,000	Shelter:	\$1,260
Other:	\$ 414	Food:	\$ 25

**Linda Pappas,  
Administrator**



# Eagle Block Preservation



*"One of the most stunning rescues in the history of preservation in New Hampshire"*

*Dr. James Garvin, State Architectural Historian, NH Division of Historical Resources*

*- August 1, 1999, Manchester Union Leader*



ECON



# The History of The Eagle

by Dr. James L. Garvin: State Architectural Historian, NH Division of Historical Resources

*Dr. Garvin was a sterling support at the state level, with Jeffrey Taylor, State Planning Director, in the local movement to save the Eagle Block. Dr. Garvin compiled a comprehensive report in 1996 funded by the NH Office of State Planning. The report details the architectural and historical significance of the structure. The following is a summary from that pivotal report.*

The Eagle Block is the last surviving example in New Hampshire of the large, urban brick hotel of the early turnpike era. Built in 1825 as The Eagle Hotel, the structure is representative of the transition from the eighteenth-century tavern, with its domestic scale and features, to the nineteenth-century hotel. The building is significant for both its design and its craftsmanship.

One impetus for the development of the nineteenth-century hotel was the introduction of the turnpike, a toll road that was built, owned and operated by a private corporation. In Newport, two turnpikes converged north of the village, channeling traffic from Vermont and the upper Connecticut River Valley through the main street of the village. In 1829, the *New-Hampshire Spectator*, published in Newport, noted that "daily lines of stages pass through this village in almost every direction." An increase in travel required a new level of accommodation for travelers.

Sullivan County was created under an act of July 5, 1827. Newport was designated the county seat. From that time forward, Newport's status as a shire town reinforced the need for good lodgings. The Eagle Hotel filled that need. The Old Sullivan County Courthouse and The Eagle Hotel, both built at the same time, mark Newport's transition from an ordinary country town into a regional center of outstanding importance.

Many Newport buildings of this era are attributed to two local brick masons, John Silver and John Silver, Jr. Using distinctive bricks made in and around Newport, the Silvers appear to have developed a local school of masonry that placed unusual emphasis on the arch. The brick arcades on the sides



Eagle Block, late 1800's



of The Eagle Block that face Main and Central Streets represent a new expression in brick architecture in this area in the 1820's. This treatment was reserved for buildings which were public in nature.

The Eagle Block is significant as an example of skillful and imaginative brickwork from an era when brick construction was in its pioneering phase in most of New Hampshire. Nowhere else in the state do we find standing examples of brick buildings from this period which display such a combination of distinctive local materials, complex structural elements, and sophisticated decorative features.

The Eagle continued in business as a hotel under several landlords until 1856, when it was converted to retail use by Samuel H. Edes, Sr. Throughout the remainder of the nineteenth century and well into the twentieth, The Eagle Block, as it was then called, continued to house several businesses. As their activities demanded it, the Edes family modified the building to accommodate new uses. The most dramatic of these changes occurred in 1928, when the family removed most of the internal partitions from the second and third floors.

The Eagle Block was hard used during the remainder of the twentieth century. It suffered from several fires, from the Hurricane of 1938, from frequent remodeling under a series of owners, and from a general lack of investment and care. On July 25, 1993, the rear portion of the building was damaged by arson. Despite its neglected condition, The Eagle Block remains one of the most significant and dramatic buildings of its era in New Hampshire.



The Eagle Block was designated an *American Treasure* in 1999, through a program sponsored by the United States Department of the Interior and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

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*The following was researched, written, and presented by Patryc Wiggins, on the occasion of United States Senator Judd Gregg's visit to the Eagle Block on January 18, 2002. This presentation was designed to overview the Eagle Block project from an historical perspective. It publicly shares the intertwining history of the Eagle Block structure and the history of Newport economic development as a means to convey the complex purpose of the Eagle Block project. Patryc is Director of the Economic Corporation of Newport (ECON). The speech is published here as a record of the event, as requested by the office of the Town Manager. Visuals and quotes were gathered to support and enhance the presentation of the text.*



"EXTENDING GRATITUDE - Economic Corporation of Newport Director Patryc Wiggins thanked U.S. Senator Judd Gregg Friday for his work in securing funding for the Eagle Block restoration. Gregg's wife Kathy and Newport Selectman Ben Nelson look on. (Wayne Carter Photo)" - from *The Eagle Times*

### [Addressing Senator Gregg]

Welcome to Newport, Senator Gregg. As a lead partner in fund-raising for the Eagle Block project, we thank you for your extraordinary support.

We also thank you for the privileges this occasion allows, designed to share the spotlight with all project partners, and to bring the substance of this project to bear as we head into re-hab and re-use of the Eagle Block.

As you know, the Economic Corporation of Newport acquired this building in June of 1999. Funds are raised



to complete construction and to landscape this one-acre, riverside downtown site. In addition, the first funds are acquired to start the education component of the Eagle Block project.

Through careful planning we recruited strategic partners to participate in every phase. Whether private, nonprofit, public, or philanthropic, partners come together in this project to honor *preservation, conservation* and *innovation*.

[Addressing the audience]

Though Senator Gregg is understated about it, his record shows where he stands. The Eagle Block joins the Hay Estate, the Connecticut Joint Rivers Commission, Lake Tarleton, the Belknap Mill, the Heritage Center in Berlin, Odiorne Point and the recent public land transactions in northern New Hampshire. These are just a sampling of the federal funds the Senator stewards on behalf of *conservation* and *preservation* -- but *innovation*? - this warrants explanation.

Conservation and preservation are concepts often attached to values, not economic engines. The Eagle Block project resonates with the other projects of which the Senator partners because it has an *engine*, and that engine is *education*. The way it works and why, makes the Eagle Block *innovative*.



Eagle Block at acquisition in 1999

*The objectives of the Eagle Block project are three pronged:*

- *Downtown revitalization*
- *Strategic business recruitment*
- *Regenerative economic development*

*First, downtown revitalization.* The fixing up of this old building and landscaping this riverside site in its gateway location, translates into downtown infrastructure improvement and beautification, even as

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this means preservation and conservation.



Community Clean-up at site

*Second*, the presence of this building - a three story historic, brick structure, once a hotel, smack dab in the business district of a town which is also the county seat, begs for very strategic recruitment. The enterprises to be located here were carefully selected and cultivated. We will have:

- 1) A distinctive restaurant, independently owned, tailored to the visitor by virtue of its respect for and dynamic presentation of "the local";
- 2) *Hannah Grimes Marketplace*, a cooperative promoting New Hampshire-made products;
- 3) *Girls, Inc.*, an organization working with youth through community service; and
- 4) A center to support regional advanced manufacturing training, called the *Tool & Technology Resource Center (TTRC)*.

The titles of ownership, the educational missions, the expertise and experience, the character of the vital services they offer, and the way in which these entities compliment each other, were priorities for their selection.

These entities were selected and created based on ECON's identification of the community's and the region's greatest economic strengths in combination with its greatest needs. The community has been demanding downtown restaurants. The choice for a restaurant that works with the other vital services at this site anticipates my segue in this presentation into the nuts and bolts of the Eagle Block project.

*Third*, ECON's regenerative economic development builds on the area's inherent strengths through unique community-based educational practices. Newport has won Governor's Awards and national awards for projects that were the precursors of the Eagle Block project: The Corbin Covered Bridge rebuilding; The Artists Congress; the SPIN project; the Community

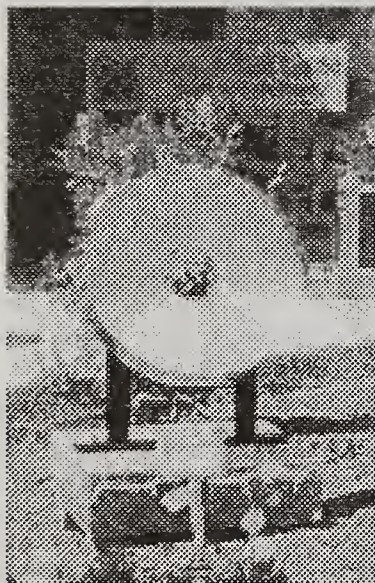


Murals project; the Machine Tool Exhibit; and the recruitment of the Sargent Museum of Anthropology and Archeology.

The Eagle Block project convenes new partners, with veteran partners, to transform community projects associated with the arts and humanities, into programming with enduring economic clout. Hannah Grimes, Girls, Inc., the restaurant and the TTRC are independent enterprises that link directly with the SPIN project, the Murals project, the Machine Tool Exhibit, and the acquisition of the historic Nettleton House where the Sargent Museum and the ECON office reside - just up the street.



Corbin Covered Bridge rebuilding



A machine part is mounted on a granite block as sculpture outside of the Machine Tool Exhibit.

*The Eagle Block businesses provide venues for the ongoing evolution of these projects to enfold new subjects into an expanding study of the region. In essence, these projects represent community-based education, most especially the study of work.*

The Eagle Block project represents ECON's movement in-house. We bought an historic building as the next effort to reorganize the economy, to regenerate our greatest resources through an educational process. What began through the arts and humanities in community projects continues at the Eagle Block.

For instance, the TTRC grows directly out of the Machine Tool Exhibit, which we will visit at the end of this program. To be housed on the second floor of the Eagle Block, the TTRC, with its support of advanced manufacturing, has its finger on the pulse of the regional economy. The sophisticated activity that will emanate from this center will exist in many forms region wide - this will be its nerve center only.

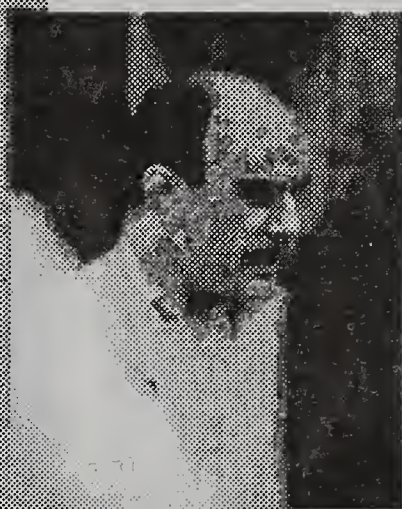


*ECON is very entrepreneurial. There is historical precedence for such entrepreneurial activity -- in the Eagle Block itself -- as well as in a series of events fifty years ago, that established the strong precision manufacturing cluster in Sullivan County and the larger region. The Eagle Block project represents a convergence of these precedents. It is therefore particularly relevant to speak of both at this occasion, which is made possible by a United States Senator who's own predecessors splice into this very history, and who's own policies ignite the engines of change.*



Phil Mudge at RDS Machine

The Eagle Block, built as the Eagle Hotel in 1825, was symbolic of that era's transitioning economy. It was built by leaders of an agrarian economy who had come to a position of influence because of their role harnessing the water power of the river. The Eagle Block represented several transitions: from wood to brick, tavern to hotel, farm to factory, town to county, trail to turnpike. Dr.



Dr. James L. Garvin,  
State Architectural Historian

James L. Garvin tells you the architectural significance of this structure in his tour following this program. But what is significant to my point is that all the community and economic development elements that engaged the initial construction of the Eagle Block reappear today, including public scrutiny, regional rivalries -- who gets the court, for example -- funding battles, and community contentions.

There is documentation that in 1825 people thought the building ugly - "a big square box of brick" - and it a stupid notion to build on a bog, or flood plane. The Eagle's placement would end a long feud about where the center of town should be, north or south of the river - north with the Baptists? - or south with the Congregationalists? -- This after moving Main Street from Unity Road down to the valley after half a century settled. The first meeting house was on Pine Street.

The Eagle Block symbolized Newport's victory over

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Claremont to win the county seat - something Claremont never got over. The Eagle Block was built in conjunction with the newly built county court house, to accommodate the legal professionals who would now swarm to town. It would also accommodate the elite traveler, because of its location built at the junction of two early state thoroughfares - the Cornish & Croydon Turnpikes. This development in turn, would engender the commercial-cultural center of a river town that was quickly becoming industrialized.



County Courthouse

So there you have it: river; roads; commerce; culture; court controversies; downtown development; industrial development; and tourism. Sound familiar? One reason that Jim Garvin is so interested in Newport is because it is an amalgam of strengths as a result of how these early tensions played out. In another half-century Newport would be identified in a 32-page feature article in the Granite Monthly, as "the model New England town."

In the 1800's Newport was thriving and it did not happen by accident. A man named William Cheney came from Alstead the same decade Lewis and Clark headed across the continent. Cheney started as a retail clerk and it sounds like he had charisma along with some mechanical skill because he got people to loan him money to invest in water-powered mill enterprises. Before long he, with a guy named Walcott, built a canal

on Canal Street where several mills prospered. At one point Cheney owned the water rights to the entire Sugar River - a river that later, when Newport was a model town, would have 124 water-powered mills. Cheney made a ton of money and he invested it wisely.



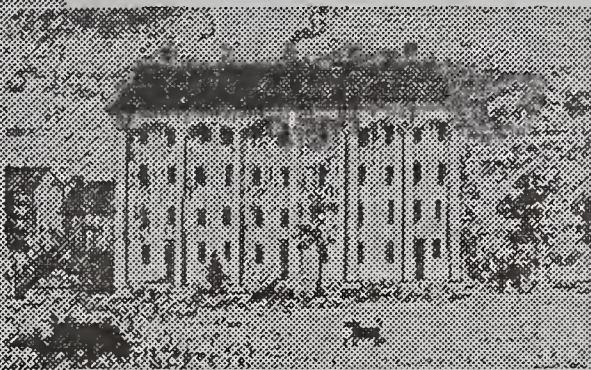
William Cheney

His position in the changing economy and his investments in the community are what I want to point out. William Cheney was a farmer,



merchant, industrialist, philanthropist, community leader, politician, economic developer, and town planner. He was a Selectman and State Representative for many years, the father of eleven. He was the man who carved out the town's designation as the county seat. He had a network. He went to Concord, and he had a way with the town's people. He talked them into erecting a county courthouse before the town had been named the county seat - a risk, but the thing that made the difference in the final decision.

Cheney earned his way with the town. Earlier, he had built what existed of the commercial center. His



The Tontine

residence still stands, where McCrillis & Eldredge Insurance is now. This was built around the time he built "The Tontine" a mall and a hotel in one - I'm not kidding - across the street from his home. It stood where Ruger's parking lot is now

in front of Spunky's Barber shop, and where the Newport Hotel would be later. He built the first business block where Lake Sunapee Bank is now. A wood-framed building, which was later moved to Depot Street and the current location of the SAU. He gave the land and the money to build the Baptist Church. He parceled out the land for all the handsome buildings on Park Street where the post office is now.

He bought four acres and landscaped what would become the common. It had structures on the South end that he would later tear down, and the rest was a bog - "where the frogs gave free concerts, and which could only be traversed by stepping on logs." (Joseph Parmelee) He filled it in and planted trees and then put it on a warrant at town meeting to give it to the town, with one stipulation: that the town would have to take care of the trees. Well, this seemed an imposition



Town Common, Baptist Church



and the town turned it down. Thinking on it a year, the town thought better and asked to take Cheney up on his offer. He thought better, and ended up selling it to the town for \$200.

This gives us background for Cheney's sway once the county seat issue came on the radar. It was Cheney's stir in Concord that convinced the legislative body that Cheshire County was too big and had to be cut in half.

We need to know more about Cheney, who died at age 50 in 1830, and his wife - who was said to be as much of a gem as he. The Cheneys are critical for Newport and the region to know because they were at the forefront of economic change and they held personal and professional convictions to contribute to the common good. Cheney had a vast vision of the community's well-being. We need to learn from him. All the same issues prevail today and are symbolized at the Eagle Block - transportation, green space, public space, energy use, power development, and whether or not the next court is established in downtown Newport or downtown Claremont. Perhaps rebuilding the Eagle Block will tip the scales for Newport once again.

Cheney's efforts were not a breeze. It took him several years, for instance, to buy the four acres that eventually would be our common with its surrounding significant structures. Newport has the largest common in the state for a non-college town. The surrounding structures are now an intact historic district.

One of these structures is the former Richards residence, now the Richards Free Library. The elder Dexter Richards would be Newport's next Cheney. An industrial leader, he was also at the forefront of power development. He made his money in integrated textile manufacture and his family business started Newport Electric Company in 1892. He gave the town its first library and first consolidated school and moved Cheney's business block to Depot Street to make room



Dexter Richards



for the Richards Block, the building that now houses Lake Sunapee Bank.

Next was Francis Parnell Murphy. A barefoot Irish Catholic hailing from Nashua, loathed by Newport's wasp leadership. Murphy took Newport and then the state by storm. He would eventually become governor following his ascension in the shoe industry. He headed McElwain and then International Shoe following a



1834 Henry Baldwin woodcut:  
Newport village viewed from Pine

shoeless boyhood, so goes the legend. He left his own legacy with contributions to civil rights - making sure the first Irish Catholic got hired as a teacher and another one elected on the school board. This took a parade, trumpeted by a band he hired, which led

his entire workforce at the shoe shop -- located on Cheney's Canal Street -- to the polls to vote. (The late Sam Saggiotes told this story to me) Murphy was involved on the state level, in the development of public utilities - another industrialist with his fingers in power development. He started Channel 9 - WMUR-TV.

We leap to 1950 when Newport had the highest unemployment rate in the state. The textile mills and shoe shops were on the wain and enter Joel Maiola's grandfather and Betty Maiola's father, Remington Woodhull. He led a band of Newport leaders called Newport Industries Incorporated, an early community development corporation. The details of this story are told at the Machine Tool Exhibit to bring us full circle. Remington led the local charge to segue the next industrial development. What did he do? He called United States Senator Styles Bridges, a senior senator in 1950, the head of the Armed Services Committee. The band of Newport leaders were fortunate because Senator Bridges had a present-day Joel Maiola in his ranks. Bert Teague of Newport was a key staff



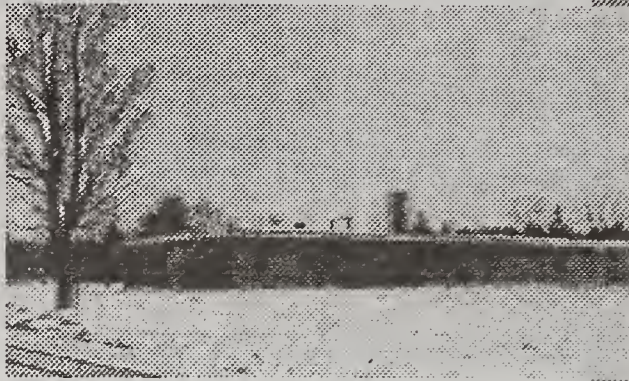
Bert Teague



person for Senator Bridges in DC. This is Newport educator Calista Thurlow's father, we're talking about, a man who would later work with NH Governor Hugh Gregg - Judd Gregg's father. Bert made sure that Bridges responded to Remington's call.

Bridges facilitated the expansion to Newport of Federal Tool Company, a firm located in South Boston - the country's lead defense contractor. Remington's crew purchased land, and Federal Tool was built where Pine Tree Castings is now housed.

The current 65 machine shops in Sullivan County grew directly out of this activity, which got started with an infusion of federal support - the machines at Federal Tool were \$1 apiece,



Federal Tool Company

still in their crate from the war effort, and available because of Federal's status as a defense contractor. Proprietary contracts were also part of the deal. Funds for apprenticeship programs too: unemployed shoe shop and textile workers were paired up with skilled machinists recruited from Springfield, Windsor and Claremont.

*The last fifty years propagated a cluster of extraordinarily sophisticated shops in Sullivan County, shops which embody technologies, craftsmanship and an integrated intelligence that drive the first world economy.*

Concurrently there has been activity in the Upper Valley that has its own evolution, where this same Senator Styles Bridges brought Cold Region's Laboratory, and where Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth bred places like Hypertherm, Thermal Dynamics, Creare and the dense web that Dr. Robert Dean has spun -- and keeps spinning up there.

Key to Dean's success was the work of Warren Rudman - another United States Senator from NH. Rudman bullied the passage of SBIR's - Small Business Innovations Research - defying an enormous academic lobby considered impenetrable. In the end he got legislated big funding for the idea that small shops like



the ones in NH are the site of significant innovation and ingenuity. This legislation is what powered enterprises on the other side of the state in the Portsmouth area, and Dr. Dean in the Upper Valley. They've made good use of federal funds to research and then make parts and products via this state's research and development, advanced manufacturing, engineering and high-tech capacities.

*The Tool & Technology Resource Center (TTRC) encompasses all this history and all this potential and more. We convene here to acknowledge this gateway and our emergence into a new economic domain. We have in our midst, and on our team, some of the most active minds and deeply engaged civic servants in the state. We move full circle into a new generation with our inheritance. The task is to work together in a manner that is worthy of this inheritance = to resurrect a splendid building that will house activity to bolster the region's economy in the most substantive way, in a local and global context.*

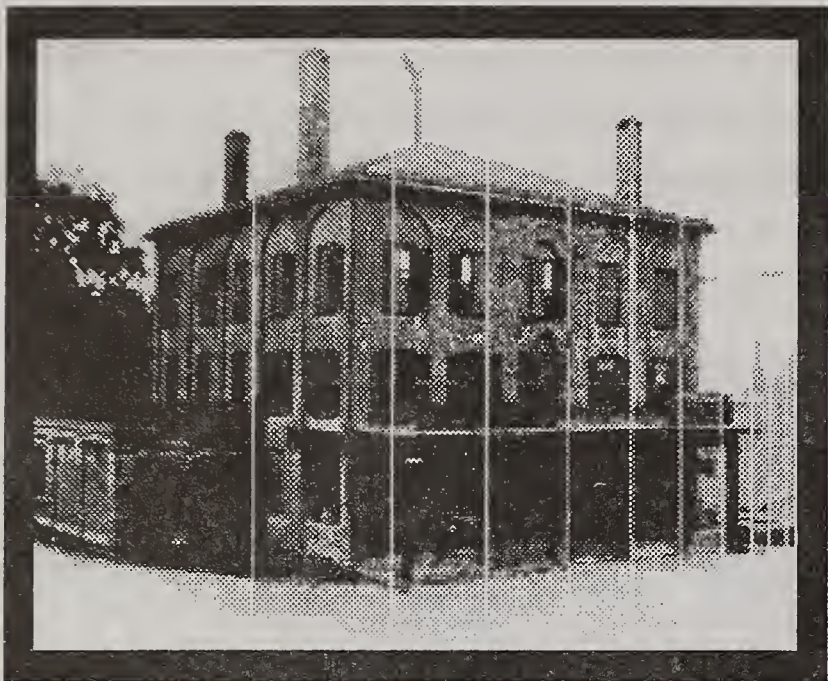
The potency of our kaleidoscopic activity points us to you, Senator Gregg, where *conservation, preservation, and innovation* churn. The enormity of our potential as a region, so coalesced, begs for your partnership at new levels of commitment where you are particularly positioned to provision continued stewardship in the character modeled by previous NH Republican leadership at the federal level.

On behalf of a prosperity as strategically designed as that which we are generating, in honor of our predecessors and the remarkable pool of people poised for action, and for the sake of Yankee ingenuity put to work to build community intrinsic to building business, we thank you for your past, present, and future support and partnership.





# FUNDING FOR EAGLE BLOCK PROJECT



35.8%	CDBG
19.0%	CDFA
12.6%	HISTORIC REHAB TAX CREDIT
10.5%	DEPT OF INTERIOR SET ASIDE
9.1%	HUD SET ASIDE
5.7%	LCHIP
4.2%	DRED
1.5%	PRIVATE DONATIONS
.4%	PSNH

*"I know of no other project in state history with this magnitude of support from local to federal, private to public, individual to corporate."*

-NH State Senator George Disnard

## CDBG: New Hampshire Community Development Block Grant (\$850,000)

*Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 authorized the CDBG program. The primary purpose of the CDBG program is the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing, suitable living environments and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income. It is sponsored by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), administered through the NH Office of State Planning. Economic development grants provide funds through an annual set-aside to municipalities for activities which create and retain employment through business financing or provide public facilities to support economic development efforts. The main goals in this category are to create jobs that provide good wages, benefits and training. --NH Office of State Planning, Community Development Block Grant program*

With the urging of Jeffrey Taylor, Director of NH Office of State Planning, the Town of Newport and

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Sullivan County submitted a joint application to the NH Office of State Planning for funding for the Eagle Block in specific affiliation with the development of the Tool & Technology Resource Center (TTRC).

**CDFA: New Hampshire Community  
Development Finance Authority (\$450,000)**

*Created by legislation in 1983 as a public, nonprofit authority of the State of New Hampshire, CDFA's mandate is to support organizations promoting affordable housing and fostering economic development and job creation. CDFA's unique programs encourage critical public/private partnerships and continue to leverage investment in New Hampshire communities. --CDFA 2000 Annual Report*

This large grant was the first CDFA grant awarded to a project in Sullivan County in the history of the CDFA program. It was crucial to the Eagle Block Project. The prestige of this highly competitive award raised the profile of the project within the state and leveraged local support. The award was granted because of the mixed re-use of the building, with emphasis on the development of a Tool & Technology Resource Center. Twelve local businesses contributed their state business profits tax and/or business enterprise tax to the Eagle Block Project under this program. They are:

Sugar River Savings Bank  
Lavalley Building Supply  
Lake Sunapee Bank  
Sturm, Ruger Company  
McCrillis and Eldredge Insurance  
Dartmouth Motors  
Claremont Savings Bank  
Mascoma Savings Bank  
Sammon and Bates Insurance  
Hubert's Department Store  
Citizens Bank  
Carroll Concrete/Newport Sand and Gravel



## **Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit (\$300,000)**

The Tax Reform Act of 1976 established the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program in 1977. The program allows a 20% tax credit to owners of buildings certified as historic. The Eagle Block qualifies for this because of its status on the National Historical Register since 1984, and its designation as an *American Treasure*.

## **Department of the Interior: National Park Service - Set Aside (\$250,000)**

*As part of the Federal Save America's Treasures initiative to preserve significant historic properties or collections, I am pleased to offer your organization a matching grant award of \$250,000 to preserve the Eagle Block. Your project was chosen by the Congress and identified in the fiscal year 2002 Appropriations Act. Congratulations! --Joseph T. Wallis, Acting Chief, Heritage Preservation Services*

Following a call from the DC Office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation notifying ECON about the availability of these funds, U.S. Senator Judd Gregg made a special request to the Interior Department for the Eagle Block project.

## **HUD Set Aside: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (\$215,000)**

*The Congress has directed our department to provide funding from the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) account for certain special projects, pursuant to the Va-HUD-Independents Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2001 (PL 106-377). These projects are specified in the Conference Report (HR 106-988) which accompanies the FY 2001 Appropriations Act. --James Selvaggi, Director, HUD Special Projects Division*

The Project Description submitted to EDI from ECON says the following: "These funds support the rehabilitation of the historic Eagle Block in Newport, NH, which will house the cornerstone of ECON's economic development program, a Tool & Technology Resource

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Center (TTRC) conceived to provide strategic, unprecedented support to the region's precision metal working industry."

A special request for these funds was made by U.S. Representative Charlie Bass, with U.S. Senator Judd Gregg. Jeffrey Taylor, Director of the NH Office of State Planning referred Bass's office to ECON, identifying the Eagle Block project as worthy of this special funding.

### **LCHIP: New Hampshire Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (\$135,000)**

*Passed by the legislature in May 2000, the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program is designed to help communities conserve New Hampshire's most important natural, cultural, and historic resources. The program provides matching grants to municipalities and non-profit organizations to help save locally determined open spaces and revitalize historic sites. --Brian Hart, Coordinator, Citizens for LCHIP*

This landmark legislation was decades in the making. The Eagle Block Project was honored as a first-round LCHIP grant recipient. This placed the project at the forefront of state preservation projects.

### **DRED: New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic (\$100,00)**

"A grant to the Economic Corporation of Newport to develop training and educational opportunities for the machining industry in Newport and western New Hampshire."--Media Release, Governor Jeanne Shaheen

*These DRED funds were allocated by the state legislature for "The North and West Opportunity Initiative," with the following mandate identified by DRED Commissioner George Bald: This request is to develop a grants program to expand opportunities to those areas of the State that have not enjoyed the same level of economic opportunity as some of the southern counties. This grant program will be targeted to the following counties: Coos, Grafton, Carroll, Sullivan, Cheshire, Belknap. The grants, requiring an in kind or cash match, may be used for 1) Job Retention and Creation, 2) Targeted*

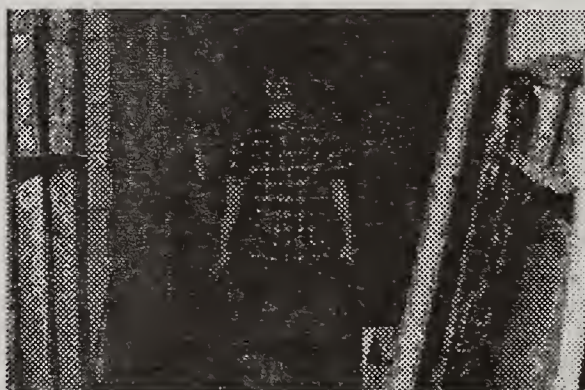


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National Trust for Historic Preservation  
NH Dept. of Resources and Economic Development  
Workforce Opportunity Council  
NH Small Business Development Center  
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NH Business and Education Partnership  
NH Department of Education  
Office of Economic Initiatives  
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Girls, Inc.  
Hannah Grimes Market Place  
River Valley Technical Center, Springfield VT  
VTNH Manufacturing Extension Partnership  
Women's Rural Entrepreneurial Network  
Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College  
NH Works One Stop Center  
NH Machining Association  
Community Volunteers



Polly Andrews and John Fordham



Kathy Hubert

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EAGLE BLOCK PRESERVATION



*Promotion Efforts, 3) International Trade, 4) Projects or programs recognized as being beneficial to business activity in those areas. The Commissioner will encourage partnerships with other state Agencies, such as Community Development Finance Authority, State Planning, Business Finance Authority, etc., as well as other non-profit agencies assisting in the achievement of the above purposes. Proposals that have regional impact and encourage regional cooperation will receive extra consideration. -- Department of Resources and Economic Development*

State Senator George Disnard from Claremont was instrumental, with State Representatives Jay Phinizy from Acworth and Beverly Rodeschin from Newport, in the Eagle Block project being awarded this grant from DRED. This trio of local legislators identified and then orchestrated political and industry support to secure this hard-to-come-by training funding. Michael Vlacich out of the Governor's office provided a new thread of support in the Concord arena, where the Office of State Planning and Community Development Finance Authority work in consortia with DRED. This team, led by the respective directors, Jeffrey Taylor and Rob Nichols, rallied support in the DRED office to steer these funds to Sullivan County.

**Private Donations (\$38,000)**

These funds were raised over the phone in a two hour period at the start of the project. They were donated by the following:

- Anonymous (\$12,000)
- John and Mary Rauh (\$1000)
- Jim Garvin (\$5000)
- Newport Historical Society (\$5000)
- The Jim Lantz Family (\$5000)
- Guenter and Kathy Hubert (\$5000)
- Frank, Celestine, and Patryc Wiggins (\$5000)



**National Trust for Historic Preservation**  
**(\$26,000 - two grants: \$1000 Preservation Services**  
**Fund for Historic Preservation; \$25,000 Save**  
**America's Treasures Preservation Planning Fund)**

These were the first two grant awards to the Eagle Block Project. They were significant because of the esteem of the National Trust. These awards, in conjunction with the Eagle Block being named an *American Treasure*, consecrated the structure as valuable, first at the regional, and then the national level. The \$25,000 award was one of only 32 awards given nationally. These grants funded pre-planning activities, providing fees to pay the architect, architectural engineer, the preservation consultant, and the construction preservationists to appropriately prepare the structure and site with safety, cosmetic, and engineering treatments.

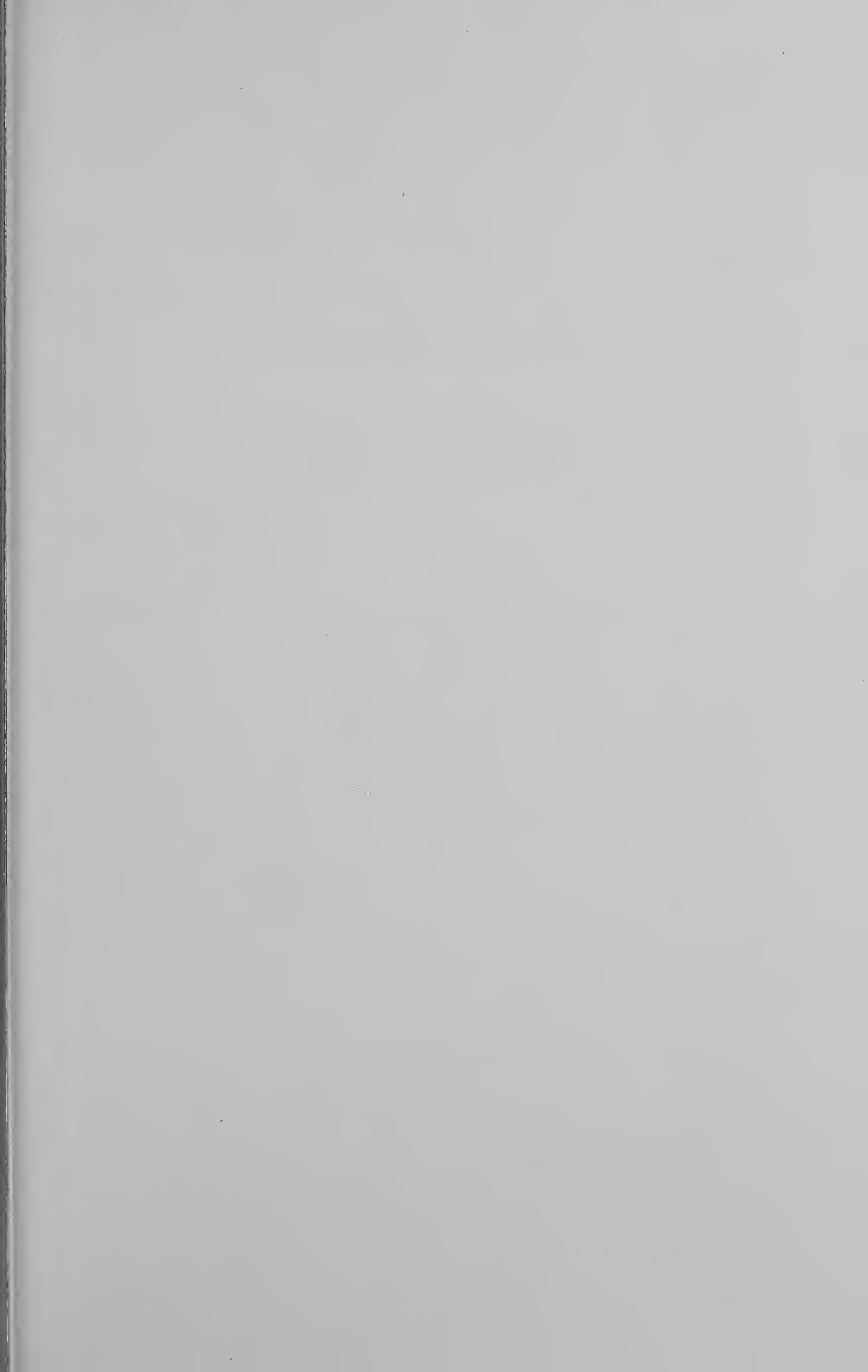
**Public Service of New Hampshire (\$10,000)**

The Eagle Block project was awarded this grant as a result of the mixed re-use of the site. PSNH was an early supporter of the Machine Tool Exhibit and recognized and applauded the progression of developments as the Tool & Technology Resource Center (TTRC) evolved from the Machine Tool Exhibit. Retired PSNH President Bill Frain wrote a statewide press release, presented a keynote, and published articles in the PSNH newsletter about ECON's activities as a precursor to awarding this largest of PSNH grants to single projects.

ECON GRATEFULLY  
ACKNOWLEDGES THIS SUPPORT

EAGLE BLOCK PRESERVATION











# **TOWN WARRANT**

**MAY 14, 2002**



**2002 Town Warrant**  
**for the Newport Town Meeting of May 14, 2002**  
**State of New Hampshire**

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Newport in the County of Sullivan in said state, qualified to vote on Town affairs:

You are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in said Town of Newport on the second Tuesday of May, 2002, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects: (Polls shall open for the reception of ballots on Articles 1-10 at 9:00 a.m. and shall not be closed earlier than 7:00 p.m. and the business part of the meeting shall start at 6:00 p.m.)

- ARTICLE 1**      To elect two (2) Selectmen for three (3) year terms.
- ARTICLE 2**      To elect a Town Clerk for a three (3) year term.
- ARTICLE 3**      To elect a Town Treasurer for a three (3) year term.
- ARTICLE 4**      To elect a Moderator for a two (2) year term
- ARTICLE 5**      To elect a Supervisor of the Checklist for a six (6) year term.
- ARTICLE 6**      To elect a Trustee of Trust Funds for a three (3) year term.
- ARTICLE 7**      To see whether the Town will vote to adopt the Conservation District amendment to the Newport Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board in Zoning Amendment No. 1:

**Section 215 - Conservation District (CN)**

**215.1 - Permitted Uses**

- A.    Hunting, Fishing, Snowmobiling & Other Outdoor Activities as regulated by state law.
- B.    Tree & Shrub Nurseries
- C.    Picnic Areas
- D.    Natural Swimming Areas
- E.    Hiking, Biking, and Cross Country Ski Trails
- F.    Accessory Structures not exceeding 100 square feet in floor area and 18 feet in height.
- G.    Accessory Uses



### **215.2 - Special Exceptions**

- A. Wooden Rain Shelter not exceeding 400 square feet in floor area and 30 feet in height.
- B. Boat Launch Sites
- C. Gravel Parking Lots
- D. Accessory structures not exceeding 100 square feet in floor area & 18 feet in height.
- E. Accessory Uses

### **215.3 -District Boundaries**

The property boundaries of the following individual lots shall define the areas within the Conservation (CN) District:

- |                           |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| A. Tax Map 20 -- Lot 2471 | F. Tax Map 45 -- Lot 2511 |
| B. Tax Map 25 -- Lot 1    | G. Tax Map 52 -- Lot 2427 |
| C. Tax Map 32 -- Lot 2508 | H. Tax Map 52 -- Lot 2493 |
| D. Tax Map 37 -- Lot 2410 | I. Tax Map 52 -- Lot 2494 |
| E. Tax Map 45 -- Lot 202  |                           |

### **215.4 - Dimensional Requirements**

- A. Setbacks -- Any building or structure shall be located at least 25 feet from any property line, street right-of-way line, and public or private easement. Bridges shall be exempt from all setback requirements.
- B. Minimum Lot Size: None
- C. Maximum Lot Coverage: 5%
- D. Maximum Height: 30 feet

### **215.5 - Signs**

- A. One free-standing sign not exceeding 10 square feet that illustrates the name of the conservation land shall be permitted.
- B. Smaller directional trail signs not exceeding one square foot shall be permitted as needed.

## **ARTICLE 8**

To see whether the Town will vote to adopt the Outdoor Storage amendment to the Newport Zoning Ordinance, as proposed by the Planning Board in Zoning Amendment No. 2:

### **Section 505--Outdoor Storage of Used or Dismantled Items and Materials**

#### **505.1--Purpose:**

The outdoor storage or display of used, discarded, dismantled or salvaged items and materials, though not necessarily meeting the definition of "junk yard" in RSA 236:112, 1, can have just as substantial an adverse effect on surrounding properties, the environment and the public welfare as a junk yard. The purpose of this section, therefore, is the prevention and abatement of public nuisances.



**505.2--Regulation:**

Notwithstanding any other section of this Ordinance, no land in any district shall be used for the keeping, storing, display or accumulation, in any unroofed area for more than 24 hours, of any used, second-hand, discarded, dismantled or salvaged items or materials which are used or intended, whether immediate or future, for resale at retail or wholesale, recycling, barter, construction use or reuse, or waste disposal, except in conformity with the following:

- A. Such use shall not occupy an area of more than 20 percent of the footprint area of the principal building on the property.
- B. The area devoted to such use, and all such items and materials, shall be completely and opaquely screened from view from abutting parcels and from public ways.
- C. No such items or materials shall be located within required yard areas.

**505.3--Existing Uses:**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Article VI of this Ordinance concerning non-conforming uses, any land being used contrary to subsection 505.2 above, at the time of the adoption of this section by the Town, shall be brought into conformity with paragraphs B and C of that subsection within one year.

**505.4--Applicability:**

- A. This section shall not apply to the keeping, storage or display of motor vehicles or trailers, OHRV's, motorized heavy equipment or watercraft, so long as such items are in good working condition, nor to waste disposal facilities permitted by the State, nor to yard sales otherwise in compliance with this Ordinance. This section shall not apply to items or materials kept for personal, non-business use by the occupants of a residence on the property. This section shall not apply to accumulations, at a construction site, of debris from the construction, provided such debris is removed within 60 days of the completion of construction.
- B. This section shall not be construed to excuse compliance with any other provision of this Ordinance or of State law, including but not limited to laws regulating junk yards and solid waste. In all cases the provision which imposes the greater restriction or higher standard shall be controlling.

**ARTICLE 9** To see whether the Town will vote to adopt the Off-Street Parking amendment to the Newport Zoning Ordinance, as



proposed by the Planning Board in Zoning Amendment No. 3:

**Proposed amendment to be included in Article IV--General Provisions, Section 409-Off Street Parking:**

**Section 409.20:**

The Zoning Board of Adjustment may grant a Special Exception to allow a reduction in the required number of parking spaces in the Downtown National Historic District as defined by Map VIII-2 of the Newport Master Plan (Est. 1995), and buildings located on Main Street going south to the Sugar River Bridge. The purpose of this Special Exception is to encourage and accommodate permitted uses of historic structures within this zone.

**ARTICLE 10** To see-how the Town will vote on the following question:

“Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Newport, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$16,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$24,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$32,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person’s spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$19,000 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$24,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of the person’s residence.” Additional requirements are set forth in NH RSA 72:38-a and 72:39-a.

(Note: Although state law requires statute law to be printed in full, the only change from the current situation in Newport, is that the maximum income levels are being raised from \$17,000 for single people and \$20,400 for married couples to \$19,000 for single people and \$24,000 for married couples.)

**ARTICLE 11** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ten Thousand (\$110,000) Dollars to be used for costs associated with the South Main Street Sewer Project issuance of serial bonds and/or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) with the Board of Selectmen authorized to issue and negotiate said bonds and/or notes and determine the rate of interest and time period thereon, and to take other such action as may be necessary to affect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds and/or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town; and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply



for, accept and expend such monies as become available from the Federal and/or State governments for use in connection with said project and pass any votes thereto. This is a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:3 VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or five years, whichever is sooner. Repayment of the debt to come from the Sewer Fund. **(By Ballot) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen or the Budget Advisory Committee)**

- ARTICLE 12** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Forty Thousand (\$240,000) Dollars to be used for costs associated with replacing the Parkview Sewer Ejector Station with a gravity flow system, said sum to come from the issuance of serial bonds and/or notes under and in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act (NH RSA 33:1 et seq. as amended) with the Board of Selectmen authorized to issue and negotiate said bonds and/or notes and determine the rate of interest and time period thereon, and to take other such action as may be necessary to affect the issuance, negotiation, sale and delivery of such bonds and/or notes as shall be in the best interest of the Town; and to further authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend such monies as become available from the Federal and/or State governments for use in connection with said project and pass any votes thereto. This is a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:3 VI and will not lapse until the project is completed or five years, whichever is sooner. Repayment of the debt to come from the Sewer Fund. **(By Ballot) (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Advisory Committee)**
- ARTICLE 13** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to convey any real estate acquired by the Town by Tax Collector's deed; such conveyance shall be by deed following public auction or the property may be sold by advertised sealed bids or may be otherwise disposed of as justice may require as determined by the Board of Selectmen pursuant to RSA 80:80.
- ARTICLE 14** To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of its surplus equipment and/or vehicles no longer needed.
- ARTICLE 15** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and enter into long-term leases of portions of vacant land at Parlin Field, the municipal airport, where in exchange for rent, the tenants would be permitted to construct, own and lease hangars on Town property.



- ARTICLE 16** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation park services and facilities shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's general fund unreserved fund balance. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same only upon order of the recreation director (no further Town Meeting approval required). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other Town funds which have not been appropriated for that purpose.
- ARTICLE 17** To see if the Town will vote to approve and adopt the proposed budget, raise and appropriate the sums contained in the report and listed in the budget and take any action thereon. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**
- ARTICLE 18** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Six Hundred One (\$45,601) Dollars for the lease of a pumper/tanker truck for the Fire Department. The lease agreement contains an escape clause. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**
- ARTICLE 19** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Five (\$188,995) Dollars for the paving of Belknap Ave. and Cross and Canal Streets. This is a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:3 VI and will not lapse until the completion of the project or five years, whichever is sooner. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**
- ARTICLE 20** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand (\$30,000) Dollars for the Main Street Project. This is a non-lapsing article per RSA 32:3 VI and will not lapse until the completion of the project or five years, whichever is sooner. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen or the Budget Advisory Committee.)**
- ARTICLE 21** To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of base mapping the Town and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand (\$25,000) Dollars to be placed into this fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**
- ARTICLE 22** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty (\$8,150) Dollars for the purchase



of new electronic water reading equipment. Said sum to come equally from the Water and Sewer Funds. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**

**ARTICLE 23** To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred (\$19,500) Dollars from the Sewer Fund for the following equipment/projects:

Septage removal	10,500
Sludge Pump	9,000

**(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**

**ARTICLE 24** To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Thirty-Eight Thousand (\$38,000) Dollars for the Town Hall Exterior Renovations, said sum to come from the Town Hall Improvements Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Budget Advisory Committee.)**

**ARTICLE 25** To see if the Town will reaffirm the 1997 Town Meeting vote to withdraw from the Sullivan County Refuse Disposal District ("District") on June 1, 2007. This being the day the current contract with Wheelabrator ends. This article will be brought forward for reaffirmation each year until the contract ends.

**ARTICLE 26** To see if the Town will endorse the year-round maintenance and operation of portable-stand signs regulating all traffic to stop and yield to pedestrians at crosswalks, to require the Selectboard and Police Department to enforce all speed limits and traffic control signs throughout the community at all times, and provide police personnel to directly supervise and facilitate traffic flow during periods of peak congestion in the Main Street business zone. **(By Petition)**

**ARTICLE 27** Shall the Town raise and appropriate Eight Thousand (\$8,000) Dollars for the support of West Central Behavioral Health. West Central provided Mental health services to 592 Newport Residents last year. The \$8,000 Will maintain services to uninsured and underinsured Newport Residents. **(By Petition)**

**ARTICLE 28** To hear and/or accept reports of or appoint any committees, auditors or agents necessary to transact the business of the Town and to transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Bennie C. Nelson, Chairman  
Elizabeth W. Maiola, Selectman  
Beverly T. Rodeschin, Selectman

Jeffery F. Kessler, Vice Chairman  
Gary E. Nichols, Selectman



Budget for the Town of Newport, NH  
Purpose of Appropriations

	Approved Budget 2001-02	Recommended Appropriation 2002-03	
		Selectmen	Budget Advisory Committee
General Government:			
Executive	\$102,368	\$100,459	\$100,459
Election/Registration	61,918	60,048	60,048
Financial Administration	211,776	226,077	226,077
Legal	20,000	12,000	12,000
Personnel Administration	678,110	663,769	663,769
Town Office of Planning and Zoning	98,309	52,000	52,000
General Government Buildings	232,484	207,543	207,543
Cemeteries	108,362	107,262	107,262
Insurance	2,000	2,000	2,000
Advertising & Regional Associations	5,700	5,700	5,700
Other General Government	23,891	113,796	113,796
Total General Government	1,544,918	1,550,654	1,550,654
Public Safety:			
Police	643,498	656,251	656,251
Emergency Communications	186,269	188,929	188,929
Prosecution	58,663	69,726	69,726
Ambulance Department	246,008	250,456	250,456
Fire Department	307,165	305,945	305,945
Building Inspection	10,425	18,595	18,595
Emergency Management	4,500	6,450	6,450
Total Public Safety	1,456,528	1,496,352	1,496,352
Highways and Streets:			
Public Works Garage	171,689	172,080	172,080
Highways and Streets	488,830	495,452	495,452
Bridges	3,800	3,800	3,800
Street Lighting	58,500	55,000	55,000
Airport	27,230	67,540	67,540
Total Highways and Streets	750,049	793,872	793,872
Sanitation:			
Solid Waste Collection	53,000	50,000	50,000
Sewer Department	464,554	539,157	539,157
Total Sanitation	517,554	589,157	589,157
Water Department	455,442	466,693	466,693
Health:			
Health Administration	3,000	3,900	3,900
Health Agency	18,500	11,000	11,000
Total Health	21,500	14,900	14,900



Budget for the Town of Newport, NH  
Purpose of Appropriations

	Approved Budget 2001-02	Recommended Appropriation 2002-03	
		Selectmen	Budget Advisory Committee
Welfare:			
Welfare Administration	21,500	23,400	23,400
Welfare Direct Assistance	65,000	40,000	40,000
Total Welfare	86,500	63,400	63,400
Culture and Recreation:			
Recreation	177,541	178,591	178,591
Library	220,000	236,000	236,000
Patriotic Purposes	3,250	3,250	3,250
Total Patriotic Purposes	400,791	417,841	417,841
Conservation Administration	6,000	5,000	5,000
Debt Service:			
Principal LTD	45,400	45,400	45,400
Interest LTD	14,844	12,358	12,358
Tax Anticipation Interest	50	50	50
Lease Payments	60,008	79,899	79,899
Water Fund Debt	81,518	181,838	181,838
Sewer Fund Debt	193,460	186,413	186,413
Debt Service	395,280	505,958	505,958
Capital Outlay:			
General Fund Articles	1,176,326	358,596	358,596
Water Fund Articles	91,338	0	0
Sewer Fund Articles	488,253	350,000	350,000
Capital Projects Fund Articles	36,880	38,000	38,000
Capital Outlay	1,792,797	746,596	746,596
Transfers:			
Transfer to Airport Fund		20,000	20,000
	0	20,000	20,000
 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	 <u>\$7,427,359</u>	 <u>\$6,670,423</u>	 <u>\$6,670,423</u>
 Add:			
War Service Credits	42,700	45,000	45,000
Overlay	99,477	100,000	100,000
Less:			
Estimated Revenues	5,234,329	4,246,845	4,246,845
Estimated Property Taxes to be Raised	<u>\$2,335,207</u>	<u>\$2,568,578</u>	<u>\$2,568,578</u>



Budget for the Town of Newport, NH  
Estimated Sources of Revenue

	Approved Budget 2001-02	Estimated Revenue 2002-03	
		Selectmen	Budget Advisory Committee
Taxes:			
Land Use Change Taxes	1,000	1,000	1,000
Yield Taxes	30,000	25,000	25,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	31,065	36,000	36,000
Excavation Tax	5,000	5,000	5,000
Excavation Activity Tax	21,694	20,000	20,000
Penalties & Interest	95,000	80,000	80,000
Total Taxes	183,759	167,000	167,000
Licenses and Permits:			
Motor Vehicle Permits	725,000	760,000	760,000
Building Permits	8,000	8,000	8,000
Other Licenses and Permits	16,400	17,400	17,400
Total Licenses and Permits	749,400	785,400	785,400
Intergovernmental Revenues	1,403,695	571,504	571,504
Charges for Service:			
Income from Departments	400,000	379,500	379,500
Garbage/Refuse	45,000	40,000	40,000
Water Department	543,298	478,531	478,531
Sewer Department	719,267	624,570	624,570
Airport	27,230	67,540	67,540
Library	44,800	45,800	45,800
Total Charges for Service	1,779,595	1,635,941	1,635,941
Miscellaneous:			
Sale of Property	12,000	2,000	2,000
Interest on Investments	80,000	70,000	70,000
Rent of Property	24,000	24,000	24,000
Transfer from Trust Funds	20,000	20,000	20,000
Other Miscellaneous	93,000	62,000	62,000
Miscellaneous - Capital Projects Fund	35,000	38,000	38,000
Total Miscellaneous	264,000	216,000	216,000
Other Financing Sources:			
Transfer from Capital Reserve - Gener	90,000	0	0
Proceeds of Long-Term Debt - Sewer	348,000	350,000	350,000
Use of Fund Balance - General Fund	250,000	250,000	250,000
Use of Fund Balance - Water Fund	85,000	170,000	170,000
Use of Fund Balance - Sewer Fund	79,000	101,000	101,000
Use of Fund Balance - Capital Projects	1,880	0	0
Total Other Financing Sources	853,880	871,000	871,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$5,234,329	\$4,246,845	\$4,246,845



## NOTES



Financial Reports

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Vital Statistics



## FINANCE DEPARTMENT 2001 Annual Report

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**Finance Director**

Paul J. Brown, C.P.A.

**Charge Bookkeeper**

Amy G. Spreadbury

**Charge Bookkeeper**

Donna M. Lizotte

**Buildings Manager**

Kenneth J. Dennis

**Payroll Clerk**

Sandy L. Ouellette

**Maintenance/Custodian**

Sylvia McElreavy

**Accounting Clerk**

Rebecca Hastings

During the summer of 2000 the SAU moved out of the offices on the second floor of the Town Office building, which allowed for changes in the structure and location of our offices to provide better access to the citizens and give staff some breathing room. We have spent 2001 finalizing these changes. We have a few more modifications to make during 2002 to complete the project.

In June of 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement 34, which changes the way all governmental units report their operations. The Board's hope is to improve the financial reports for the three groups of users: citizens, elected officials and creditors. The changes are widespread with a focus on the total cost of the governments operations, including the cost of depreciation of assets. Assets to be included are equipment, land and buildings as well as infrastructure, roads and bridges. The Town of Newport's implementation date is July 1, 2003. Prior to that date, we will be spending our time doing our research and preparation.

From a financial standpoint, the Town is in very strong position, with adequate cash balances, and moderate uncollected taxes. Current revenues and expenditures should be within budget. The budget for next year has increased expenditures along with decreased revenues, resulting in a small tax decrease.

Goals for the upcoming year include completing the move of the offices and preparing for the GASB 34 implementation.

In conclusion, I would like to thank my staff for their hard work and dedication, and the citizens for their patience as we work through computer and office changes.

**Paul J. Brown, CPA,  
Finance Director**



STATEMENT OF REVENUES  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Budget	Actual	Over (Under) Budget \$	%
Taxes:				
Property Taxes	\$2,206,013	\$2,215,810	\$9,797	0.44%
Land Use Change Taxes	1,000	8,684	7,684	768.40%
Yield Taxes	35,000	52,871	17,871	51.06%
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	10,000	2,939	(7,061)	-70.61%
Excavation Tax	20,000	22,518	2,518	12.59%
Excavation Activity Tax	34,000	31,066	(2,934)	-8.63%
Penalties & Interest	100,000	91,714	(8,286)	-8.29%
Total Taxes	<u>2,406,013</u>	<u>2,425,602</u>	<u>19,589</u>	<u>0.81%</u>
Licenses and Permits:				
Motor Vehicle Permits	700,000	791,388	91,388	13.06%
Building Permits	10,000	12,696	2,696	26.96%
Other Licenses and Permits	11,000	15,505	4,505	40.95%
Total Licenses and Permits	<u>721,000</u>	<u>819,589</u>	<u>98,589</u>	<u>13.67%</u>
Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>609,962</u>	<u>605,166</u>	<u>(4,796)</u>	<u>-0.79%</u>
Charges for Service:				
Income from Departments	332,246	391,729	59,483	17.90%
Garbage/Refuse	40,000	33,100	(6,900)	-17.25%
Water Department	508,791	557,846	49,055	9.64%
Sewer Department	710,326	729,326	19,000	2.67%
Airport	18,754	29,560	10,806	57.62%
Total Charges for Service	<u>1,610,117</u>	<u>1,741,561</u>	<u>131,444</u>	<u>8.16%</u>
Miscellaneous:				
Sale of Property	2,000	720	(1,280)	-64.00%
Interest on Investments	80,000	93,689	13,689	17.11%
Rent of Property	24,000	28,328	4,328	18.03%
Insurance Reimbursements	50,000	40,177	(9,823)	-19.65%
Transfer from Trust Funds	20,000	23,780	3,780	18.90%
Other Miscellaneous	6,240	13,917	7,677	123.03%
Total Miscellaneous	<u>182,240</u>	<u>200,611</u>	<u>18,371</u>	<u>10.08%</u>
Other Financing Sources:				
Transfer from Capital Reserve - General	8,000	21,110	13,110	163.88%
Total Other Financing Sources	<u>8,000</u>	<u>21,110</u>	<u>13,110</u>	<u>163.88%</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$5,537,332</u>	<u>\$5,813,639</u>	<u>\$276,307</u>	<u>4.99%</u>



STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Budget	Actual	Under (Over) Budget	
			\$	%
General Government:				
Executive	\$99,792	\$102,775	(\$2,983)	-2.99%
Election/Registration	52,543	53,738	(1,195)	-2.27%
Financial Administration	199,629	277,125	(77,496)	-38.82%
Legal	20,000	11,156	8,844	44.22%
Personnel Administration	627,666	598,590	29,076	4.63%
Town Office of Planning and Zoning	102,194	94,295	7,899	7.73%
General Government Buildings	178,611	192,573	(13,962)	-7.82%
Cemeteries	106,933	108,023	(1,090)	-1.02%
Insurance	2,000	5,478	(3,478)	-173.90%
Advertising & Regional Associations	4,725	5,261	(536)	-11.34%
Other General Government	20,940	9,497	11,443	54.65%
Total General Government	1,415,033	1,458,511	(43,478)	-3.07%
Public Safety:				
Police	617,742	604,688	13,054	2.11%
Emergency Communications	181,048	174,938	6,110	3.37%
Prosecution	55,631	49,576	6,055	10.88%
Ambulance	211,545	187,011	24,534	11.60%
Fire	321,188	340,839	(19,651)	-6.12%
Building Inspection	10,176	11,271	(1,095)	-10.76%
Emergency Management	7,000	4,995	2,005	28.64%
Total Public Safety	1,404,330	1,373,318	31,012	2.21%
Highways and Streets:				
Public Works Garage	162,920	162,336	584	0.36%
Highways and Streets	447,674	476,771	(29,097)	-6.50%
Bridges	3,920	3,832	88	2.24%
Street Lighting	60,000	54,151	5,849	9.75%
Airport	18,754	26,587	(7,833)	-41.77%
Total Highways and Streets	693,268	723,677	(30,409)	-4.39%
Sanitation:				
Solid Waste Collection	40,000	33,309	6,691	16.73%
Sewer Department	425,747	423,336	2,411	0.57%
Total Sanitation	465,747	456,645	9,102	1.95%
Water Department	400,603	368,453	32,150	8.03%



STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Budget	Actual	Under (Over) Budget	
			\$	%
Health:				
Health Administration	5,150	2,550	2,600	50.49%
Health Agency	18,200	18,200	0	0.00%
Total Health	23,350	20,750	2,600	11.13%
Welfare:				
Welfare Administration	17,500	17,184	316	1.81%
Welfare Direct Assistance	55,000	29,781	25,219	45.85%
Total Welfare	72,500	46,965	25,535	35.22%
Culture and Recreation:				
Recreation	154,315	157,136	(2,821)	-1.83%
Library	165,285	165,285	0	0.00%
Patriotic Purposes	3,000	2,628	372	12.40%
Total Patriotic Purposes	322,600	325,049	(2,449)	-0.76%
Conservation Administration	2,000	1,903	97	4.85%
Debt Service:				
Principal LTD	165,400	165,400	0	0.00%
Interest LTD	21,459	21,460	(1)	-0.00%
Tax Anticipation Interest	100	0	100	100.00%
Lease Payments	47,051	47,052	(1)	-0.00%
Water Fund Debt	76,509	76,509	0	0.00%
Sewer Fund Debt	201,652	200,507	1,145	0.57%
Debt Service	512,171	510,928	1,243	0.24%
Capital Outlay:				
General Fund Articles	611,124	606,281	4,843	0.79%
Water Fund Articles	31,679	31,679	0	0.00%
Sewer Fund Articles	161,927	161,927	0	0.00%
Capital Outlay	804,730	799,887	4,843	0.60%
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$6,116,332	\$6,086,086	\$30,246	0.49%



## AUDIT REPORT

The following have been extracted from the June 30, 2001 Town audit, performed by Plodzik & Sanderson. The complete report is available for review at the Town Office.

### TOWN OF NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2001

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### *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT*

To the Members of the  
Board of Selectmen and Town Manager  
Town of Newport  
Newport, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newport as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001 as listed in the table of contents. These general purpose financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these general purpose financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The general purpose financial statements referred to above do not include the general fixed assets account group which should be included in order to conform with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. As is the case with most municipal entities in the State of New Hampshire, the Town of Newport has not maintained historical cost records of its fixed assets. The amount that should be recorded in the general fixed assets account group is not known.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the omission described in the preceding paragraph, the general purpose financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Town of Newport, as of June 30, 2001, and the results of its operations and the cash flows of its proprietary fund types and nonexpendable trust funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newport taken as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements listed as schedules in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the general purpose financial statements of the Town of Newport. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the general purpose financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the general purpose financial statements taken as a whole.

November 19, 2001

*Plodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*



EXHIBIT A  
TOWN OF NEWPORT  
Combined Balance Sheet  
All Fund Types and Account Group  
June 30, 2001

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	Governmental Fund Types		
	General Fund	Special Revenue	Capital Projects
<u>ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS</u>			
<u>Assets</u>			
Cash and Equivalents	\$524,442	\$149,814	\$
Investments	2,262,703		16,255
<u>Receivables (Net of</u>			
<u>Allowances For Uncollectibles)</u>			
Taxes	1,559,973		
Accounts	145,482	40,523	38,921
Interest			
Intergovernmental	417,625		
Interfund Receivable	303,707	2,206	
Inventory		10,037	
Prepaid Items	75,408		
Restricted Assets			
Tax Deeded Property Subject to Resale	15,287		
Fixed Assets			
Accumulated Depreciation			
<u>Other Debits</u>			
Amount to be Provided for			
Retirement of General Long-Term Debt			
TOTAL ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	<u>\$5,304,627</u>	<u>\$202,580</u>	<u>\$55,176</u>



Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise	Fiduciary Fund Types Trust	Accooount Group General Long- Term Debt	Totals (Memorandum Only)
\$1,690,894	\$766,964 884,819	\$	\$3,132,114 3,163,777
			1,559,973
659,460			884,386
	6,828		6,828
850,503			1,268,128
21,298			327,211
			10,037
			75,408
175,674			175,674
			15,287
10,399,808			10,399,808
(2,729,193)			(2,729,193)
		590,285	590,285
<u>\$11,068,444</u>	<u>\$1,658,611</u>	<u>\$590,285</u>	<u>\$18,879,723</u>



EXHIBIT A  
TOWN OF NEWPORT  
Combined Balance Sheet  
All Fund Types and Account Group  
June 30, 2001

<u>LIABILITIES AND EQUITY</u>	<u>Governmental Fund Types</u>		
	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Capital Projects</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$228,828	\$712	\$
Accrued Expenses	6,701		
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	54,600		
Retainage Payable			
Intergovernmental Payable	2,264	10,682	
Interfund Payable	18,007	17,067	46,027
Other Current Liabilities	4,661		
Deferred Tax Revenues	3,564,426		
Other Deferred Revenues	31,916		
Deferred Compensation Benefits Payable			
General Obligation Debt Payable - Current			
General Obligation Debt Payable			
Compensated Absences Payable			
Total Liabilities	<u>3,911,403</u>	<u>28,461</u>	<u>46,027</u>
<u>Equity</u>			
Contributed Capital			
<u>Retained Earnings</u>			
Reserved			
Unreserved			
<u>Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved for Encumbrances	445,586		
Reserved for Endowments			
Reserved for Inventory		10,037	
Reserved for Special Purposes			16,255
Reserved for Tax Deeded Property	15,287		
<u>Unreserved</u>			
Designated For Contingency	87,770		
Designated For Special Purposes		164,082	
Undesignated	844,581		(7,106)
Total Equity and Other Credits	<u>1,393,224</u>	<u>174,119</u>	<u>9,149</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u>\$5,304,627</u>	<u>\$202,580</u>	<u>\$55,176</u>



<u>Proprietary Fund Type</u>	<u>Fiduciary Fund Types</u>	<u>Account Group General Long- Term Debt</u>	<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>Enterprise Funds</u>	<u>Trust and Agency</u>		
\$	\$	\$	\$229,540
25,642			32,343
			54,600
18,027			18,027
	1,191		14,137
214,330	\$31,780		327,211
			4,661
			3,564,426
			31,916
269,290			269,290
1,872,654		272,400	2,145,054
		168,977	168,977
		148,908	148,908
<u>2,399,943</u>	<u>32,971</u>	<u>590,285</u>	<u>7,009,090</u>
4,024,173			4,024,173
353,435			353,435
4,290,893			4,290,893
			445,586
	952,225		952,225
			10,037
	673,415		689,670
			15,287
			87,770
			164,082
			837,475
<u>8,668,501</u>	<u>1,625,640</u>		<u>11,870,633</u>
<u>\$11,068,444</u>	<u>\$1,658,611</u>	<u>\$590,285</u>	<u>\$18,879,723</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



EXHIBIT B  
TOWN OF NEWPORT  
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Governmental Fund Types		
	General	Special Revenue	Capital Projects
<u>Revenues</u>			
Taxes	\$2,425,602		
Licenses and Permits	819,589		
Intergovernmental	624,266	\$12,863	
Charges For Service	424,829	21,246	
Miscellaneous	176,831	108,703	72,484
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Proceeds of			
General Obligation Debt	108,904		
Operating Transfers In	44,890	246,520	
<u>Total Revenues and</u>			
<u>    Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>4,624,911</u>	<u>389,332</u>	<u>72,484</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Current</u>			
General Government	1,499,596		
Public Safety	1,331,186	4,568	
Highways, Streets, Bridges	654,839		
Sanitation	33,309		
Health	20,750		
Welfare	46,965		
Culture and Recreation	153,497	286,332	
Conservation	903	1,887	
Debt Service	233,912		
Capital Outlay	558,058	25,807	45,623
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>			
Operating Transfers Out	216,285	32,982	22,188
<u>Total Expenditures and</u>			
<u>    Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>4,749,300</u>	<u>351,576</u>	<u>67,811</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues</u>			
<u>    and Other Financing Sources</u>			
<u>    Over (Under) Expenditures</u>			
<u>    and Other Financing Uses</u>	(124,389)	37,756	4,673
<u>Fund Balances - July 1</u>			
<u>    (As Restated - See Note 5F)</u>	<u>1,517,613</u>	<u>136,363</u>	<u>4,476</u>
<u>Fund Balances - June 30</u>	<u>\$1,393,224</u>	<u>\$174,119</u>	<u>\$9,149</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



<u>Fiduciary Fund Type</u>	<u>Totals (Memorandum Only)</u>
<u>Trust Funds</u>	
	\$2,425,602
	819,589
	637,129
	446,075
\$41,721	399,739
	108,904
<u>64,340</u>	<u>355,750</u>
<u>106,061</u>	<u>5,192,788</u>
	1,499,596
	1,335,754
	654,839
	33,309
	20,750
	46,965
7,136	446,965
	2,790
	233,912
	629,488
<u>21,110</u>	<u>292,565</u>
<u>28,246</u>	<u>5,196,933</u>
77,815	(4,145)
<u>591,391</u>	<u>2,249,843</u>
<u>\$669,206</u>	<u>\$2,245,698</u>



EXHIBIT C  
TOWN OF NEWPORT  
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances  
Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)  
General and Special Revenue Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	General Fund		
	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<u>Revenues</u>			
Taxes	\$2,406,013	\$2,425,602	\$19,589
Licenses and Permits	721,000	819,589	98,589
Intergovernmental	609,962	605,166	(4,796)
Charges For Service	372,246	424,829	52,583
Miscellaneous	162,240	176,831	14,591
<u>Other Financing Sources</u>			
Operating Transfers In	28,000	44,890	16,890
<u>Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>4,299,461</u>	<u>4,496,907</u>	<u>197,446</u>
<u>Expenditures</u>			
<u>Current</u>			
General Government	1,415,033	1,434,293	(19,260)
Public Safety	1,379,330	1,347,801	31,529
Highways, Streets, Bridges	674,514	688,142	(13,628)
Sanitation	40,000	31,309	8,691
Health	23,350	20,750	2,600
Welfare	72,500	46,965	25,535
Culture and Recreation	152,315	152,264	51
Conservation	1,000	903	97
Debt Service	234,010	233,912	98
Capital Outlay	591,124	595,812	(4,688)
<u>Other Financing Uses</u>			
Operating Transfers Out	216,285	216,285	
<u>Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>4,799,461</u>	<u>4,768,436</u>	<u>31,025</u>
<u>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other     Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures     and Other Financing Uses</u>	<u>(\$500,000)</u>	<u>(271,529)</u>	<u>\$228,471</u>
<u>Increase in Fund Balances</u>			
Reserved for Inventory			
Reserved for Tax Deeded Property		(1,375)	
<u>Fund Balances - July 1</u>		<u>1,209,520</u>	
<u>Fund Balances - June 30</u>		<u>\$936,616</u>	

Annually Budgeted Special Revenue Funds			Totals (Memorandum Only)		
Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Budget	Actual	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
\$	\$	\$	\$2,406,013	\$2,425,602	\$19,589
			721,000	819,589	98,589
	4,591	4,591	609,962	609,757	(205)
18,754	21,246	2,492	391,000	446,075	55,075
36,950	44,442	7,492	199,190	221,273	22,083
185,285	195,327	10,042	213,285	240,217	26,932
240,989	265,606	24,617	4,540,450	4,762,513	222,063
			1,415,033	1,434,293	(19,260)
			1,379,330	1,347,801	31,529
			674,514	688,142	(13,628)
			40,000	31,309	8,691
			23,350	20,750	2,600
			72,500	46,965	25,535
240,989	257,097	(16,108)	393,304	409,361	(16,057)
			1,000	903	97
			234,010	233,912	98
			591,124	595,812	(4,688)
	4,340	(4,340)	216,285	220,625	(4,340)
240,989	261,437	(20,448)	5,040,450	5,029,873	10,577
\$ -0-	4,169	\$4,169	(\$500,000)	(267,360)	\$232,640
	2,255			2,255	
				(1,375)	
	17,438			1,226,958	
	\$23,862			\$960,478	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



EXHIBIT D  
TOWN OF NEWPORT  
Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenses and  
Changes in Retained Earnings/Fund Balances  
All Proprietary Funds and Nonexpendable Trust Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise	Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Total (Memorandum Only)
<u>Operating Revenues</u>			
Charges for Service	\$1,051,019		\$1,051,019
New Funds		6,050	6,050
Interest and Dividends		32,584	32,584
Net Increase in Fair Value of Investments		1,937	1,937
<u>Total Operating Revenues</u>	<u>1,051,019</u>	<u>40,571</u>	<u>1,091,590</u>
<u>Operating Expenses</u>			
<u>Cost of Sales and Services</u>			
Services	272,019		272,019
Treatment	284,065		284,065
Administration	197,077		197,077
Other	3,233		3,233
Depreciation	291,422		291,422
Transfers Out		33,185	33,185
<u>Total Operating Expenses</u>	<u>1,047,816</u>	<u>33,185</u>	<u>1,081,001</u>
<u>Operating Income</u>	<u>3,203</u>	<u>7,386</u>	<u>10,589</u>
<u>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</u>			
Interest Revenue	63,024		63,024
Interest Expense	82,472		82,472
State Water	(115,809)		(115,809)
<u>Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</u>	<u>29,687</u>		<u>29,687</u>
<u>Net Income Before Transfers</u>	<u>32,890</u>	<u>7,386</u>	<u>40,276</u>
<u>Transfers to Other Funds</u>	<u>(30,000)</u>		<u>(30,000)</u>
<u>Net Income</u>	<u>2,890</u>	<u>7,386</u>	<u>10,276</u>
<u>Add Depreciation on Contributed Assets Acquired with Capital Grants</u>	<u>137,353</u>		<u>137,353</u>
<u>Retained Earnings/Fund Balances - July 1 (As Restated - See Note 5F)</u>	<u>4,504,085</u>	<u>949,048</u>	<u>5,453,133</u>
<u>Retained Earnings/Fund Balances - June 30</u>	<u>\$4,644,328</u>	<u>\$956,434</u>	<u>\$5,600,762</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT E  
TOWN OF NEWPORT  
Combined Statement of Changes in Cash Flows  
All Proprietary Funds and Nonexpendable Trust Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2001

	Proprietary Fund Type Enterprise Funds	Fiduciary Fund Type Nonexpendable Trust Funds	Totals (Memorandum Only)
<u>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</u>			
Cash Received From Customers and Users	\$1,008,185		\$1,008,185
Cash Payments to Employees and Suppliers	(751,387)		(751,387)
Cash Received as New Funds		6,050	6,050
Cash Received as Interest & Dividends		32,604	32,604
Cash Paid to Other Funds		(33,022)	(33,022)
<u>Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities</u>	<u>256,798</u>	<u>5,632</u>	<u>262,430</u>
<u>Cash Flows From Financing Activities</u>			
Principal Payments - Bonds	(244,217)		(244,217)
State Revolving Fund Loan Receipts	546,956		546,956
Capital Contributions and Advances	586,692		586,692
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets	(891,754)		(891,754)
Interest Paid	(115,809)		(115,809)
Transfer to Capital Reserve Fund	(30,000)		(30,000)
<u>Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing Activities</u>	<u>(148,132)</u>		<u>(148,132)</u>
<u>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</u>			
Interest Received	82,472		82,472
Proceeds From Sales and Maturities of Investments		85,498	85,498
<u>Net Cash Provided (Used) in Investing Activities</u>	<u>82,472</u>	<u>85,498</u>	<u>167,970</u>
<u>Net Increase (Decrease) In Cash</u>	<u>191,138</u>	<u>91,130</u>	<u>282,268</u>
<u>Cash - July 1</u>	<u>1,675,430</u>	<u>30,092</u>	<u>1,705,522</u>
<u>Cash - June 30</u>	<u>\$1,866,568</u>	<u>\$121,222</u>	<u>\$1,987,790</u>
<u>Reconciliation of Net Income to New Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities</u>			
<u>Operating Income</u>	<u>\$3,203</u>	<u>\$7,386</u>	<u>\$10,589</u>
<u>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities</u>			
Net Decrease in Fair Value of Investments		(1,937)	(1,937)
Depreciation Expense	291,422		291,422
Increase in Accounts Receivable	(52,812)		(52,812)
Increase in Interest Receivable		20	20
Decrease in Interfund Receivable	14,667		14,667
Increase in Accrued Expenses	25,642		25,642
Increase in Ratainage Payable	10,949		10,949
Increase (Decrease) in Interfund Payable	(31,583)	163	(31,420)
Decrease in Deferred Revenue	(4,690)		(4,690)
<u>Total Adjustments</u>	<u>253,595</u>	<u>(1,754)</u>	<u>251,841</u>
<u>Net Cash Provided By Operations</u>	<u>\$256,798</u>	<u>\$5,632</u>	<u>\$262,430</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



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The financial statements of the Town of Newport have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to the governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

***NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES***

**A. Financial Reporting Entity**

The Town of Newport, New Hampshire is a municipal corporation governed by an elected Board of Selectmen and Town Manager. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, these financial statements present the Town of Newport (primary government). Component units are organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable or for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. Based on the foregoing criteria, no other organizations are included in the Town's financial reporting entity.

**B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting**

The accounts of the Town are organized on the basis of funds and account groups, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures/expenses, as appropriate. The various funds are grouped by type in the financial statements. The following fund types and account groups are used by the Town:

*Governmental Fund Types*

**General Fund** - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to another fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, the fixed charges, and the capital improvement costs that are not paid through other funds.

**Special Revenue Funds** - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trust or major capital projects) requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action.

**Capital Projects Funds** - Transactions related to resources obtained and used for the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital facilities not included in Enterprise Funds are accounted for in Capital Projects Funds.

*Proprietary Fund Types*

**Enterprise Funds** - These funds are established to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent is that costs of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

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*Fiduciary Fund Types*

**Trust Funds** - These funds account for assets held by the Town as a trustee for individuals, private organizations, and other units of governments.

*Account Groups*

Account groups are not "funds." They are concerned only with the measurement of financial position. They are not involved with the measurement of results of operations. The Town uses the following account groups:

**General Fixed Assets Account Group** - General fixed assets have been acquired for general governmental purposes and have been recorded as expenditures in the applicable governmental fund. These expenditures are required to be capitalized at historical cost in a General Fixed Assets Account Group for accountability purposes. In accordance with the practices followed by most other municipal entities in the State, the Town does not maintain such a record of its general fixed assets and, accordingly, a statement of general fixed assets, required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, is not included in this financial report.

**General Long-Term Debt Account Group** - This account group is established to account for all long-term debt of the Town except that which is accounted for in the Proprietary Funds.

C. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Governmental, Expendable Trust and Agency Funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both available and measurable (flow of current financial resources measurement focus). Licenses and permits, fines and forfeits, and most miscellaneous revenues are recorded when received in cash. General taxes, intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, and investment earnings are recorded when earned (when they are measurable and available). Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for prepaid items, debt service, and other long-term obligations, which are recognized when due.

Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred (flow of economic resources measurement focus). In accounting for Proprietary Funds under this basis and measurement focus, the Town applies all GASB pronouncements as well as the Financial Accounting Standards Board pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements.

D. Budgetary Accounting

*General Budget Policies*

General governmental revenues and expenditures accounted for in budgetary funds are controlled by a formal integrated budgetary accounting system in accordance with various legal requirements which govern the Town's operations. At its annual meeting, the Town adopts a budget for the next year for the General, Airport Operating, Richards Free Library, Water Department and Sewer



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Department Funds. Project-length financial plans are adopted for all Capital Projects Funds. Except as reconciled below, budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management may transfer appropriations between operating categories as deemed necessary, but expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations in total. All annual appropriations lapse at year-end unless encumbered.

State statutes require balanced budgets, but provide for the use of beginning unreserved fund balance to achieve that end. In the fiscal year 2000-2001, \$500,000 of the beginning General Fund fund balance was applied for this purpose.

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and continuing appropriations (certain projects and specific items not fully expended at year-end) are recognized, is employed in the governmental funds. Encumbrances are not the equivalent of expenditures and are therefore reported as part of the fund balance at June 30 and are carried forward to supplement appropriations of the subsequent year.

Amounts recorded as budgetary expenditures in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - General and Special Revenue Funds (Exhibit C) are presented on the basis budgeted by the Town. The amounts differ from those reported in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America in the Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds (Exhibit B) as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>
<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>		
Per Exhibit C (Budgetary Basis)	\$ 4,768,436	\$ 261,437
<u>Adjustments</u>		
<u>Basis Difference</u>		
Encumbrances - June 30, 2000	368,876	
Encumbrances - June 30, 2001	(445,586)	
Retirement contributions paid by State of N.H.	19,100	
Capital Leases	108,904	
Budgetary Prepaid Items - June 30, 2000	(74,695)	
Budgetary Prepaid Items - June 30, 2001	4,265	
<u>Entity Difference</u>		
<u>Unbudgeted Funds</u>		
Neighborhood Improvement		523
Library Arts Center		29,872
Conservation Commission		1,887
Ambulance Donations		4,568
Guild Target Area Project		6,741
Town Wide Program		43,644
South Main Street Revolving Loan		<u>2,904</u>
Per Exhibit B (GAAP Basis)	<u>\$ 4,749,300</u>	<u>\$ 351,576</u>

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E. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

*Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments*

For financial reporting purposes, cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits and money market funds, as well as certificates of deposit and short-term investments with original maturities of 90 days or less.

The town treasurer is required by New Hampshire statute to have custody of all moneys belonging to the Town and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the Town Manager. The treasurer shall deposit all such moneys in participation units in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to N.H. RSA 383:22 or in solvent banks in the state. Funds may be deposited in banks outside the state if such banks pledge and deliver to a third party custodial bank or the federal reserve bank collateral security for such deposits, United States government or government agency obligations or obligations of the State of New Hampshire in value at least equal to the amount of the deposit in each case.

Whenever the treasurer has in custody an excess of funds which are not immediately needed for the purpose of expenditure, the treasurer shall, with the approval of the Town Manager, invest the excess funds in obligations of the United States government, in the public deposit investment pool established pursuant to RSA 383:22, in savings bank deposits, certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements of banks incorporated under the laws of the State of New Hampshire or in banks recognized by the state treasurer. Any person who directly or indirectly receives any such funds or moneys for deposit or for investment in securities of any kind shall, prior to acceptance of such funds, make available at the time of such deposit or investment an option to have such funds secured by collateral having a value at least equal to the amount of such funds. Such collateral shall be segregated for the exclusive benefit of the Town. Only securities defined by the bank commissioner as provided by rules adopted pursuant to RSA 386:57 shall be eligible to be pledged as collateral.

The Town participates in the New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool established in accordance with N.H. RSA 383:22-24. Based on GASB Statement No. 3, *Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments (including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements*, investments with the Pool are considered to be unclassified. At this time, the Pool's investments are limited to short-term United States treasury and United States government agency obligations, State of New Hampshire municipal obligations, certificates of deposit from A1/P1-rated banks, money market mutual funds (maximum of 20% of portfolio), overnight to 30-day repurchase agreements and reverse overnight repurchase agreements with primary dealers or dealer banks. Under the terms of GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*, the Pool is considered to be a 2a7-like pool which means that it has a policy that it will, and does operate in a manner consistent with the SEC's Rule 2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. This rule allows SEC-registered mutual funds to use amortized cost rather than market value to report net assets in computing share prices if certain conditions are met. Therefore, the Town reports its investment in the Pool at amortized cost which would equal the Pool's share price.



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Other investments are stated at fair value as of the balance sheet date. The fair value is based on the quoted market price.

The Trustees of Trust Funds file annual reports with the New Hampshire Attorney General.

*Receivables*

Receivables have been recorded for the following:

- a. Tax revenue is recorded when a warrant for collection is committed to the Tax Collector. However, an allowance has been established for any taxes involved in bankruptcy or where voluntary liens have been taken. The allowance totals \$18,339 at June 30, 2001.

As prescribed by law, the Tax Collector places a lien on properties for all uncollected property taxes in the following year after taxes are due. The lien on these properties has priority over other liens and accrues interest at 18% per annum. If property is not redeemed within the 2-year redemption period, the property is tax-deeded to the Town.

- b. Interest on investments is recorded as revenue in the year earned.
- c. Certain grants received from other governments require that eligible expenditures be made in order to earn the grant. Revenue for these grants is recorded for the period in which eligible expenditures are made.
- d. Various service charges (ambulance, water, sewer) are recorded as revenue for the period when service was provided. The receivables for such services are shown on the balance sheet net of an allowance for estimated uncollectibles.

*Interfund Receivables and Payables*

During the course of normal operations, the Town has transactions between funds, including expenditures and transfers of resources to provide services and fund capital outlay. The accompanying governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary fund financial statements reflect such transactions as transfers. To the extent that certain transactions have not been paid or received as of June 30, balances of interfund amounts receivable or payable have been recorded.

*Inventory*

Inventory is valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method. The consumption method is used to account for inventory. Under the consumption method, inventory is recorded when expenditures are consumed rather than when purchased. Reported inventory in the governmental funds is equally offset by a fund balance reserve which indicates that the asset is not available for appropriation even though it is a component of reported assets.

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*Prepaid Items*

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items.

*Property, Plant and Equipment*

Property, plant and equipment acquired for proprietary funds are capitalized in the fund to which they belong. Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost. Where cost could not be determined from the available records, estimated historical cost was used to record the estimated value of the assets. Assets acquired by gift or bequest are recorded at their fair market value at the date of transfer.

Depreciation of exhaustible fixed assets used by proprietary funds is charged as an expense against operations and accumulated depreciation is reported on the proprietary funds' balance sheet. Depreciation has been provided over the estimated useful lives using the straight-line method.

The estimated useful lives for each major class of depreciable fixed assets are as follows:

	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	20-40
Vehicles and Equipment	5-40
Other Improvements	40

*Deferred Revenue*

The government reports deferred revenue on its combined balance sheet. Deferred revenue arises when a potential revenue does not meet both the "measurable" and "available" criteria for recognition in the current period. Deferred revenue also arises when resources are received by the government before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the government has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for deferred revenue is removed from the combined balance sheet and revenue is recognized.

*Long-Term Liabilities*

**General Obligation Debt** - General obligation bonds, notes, capital leases, and other forms of long-term debt supported by general revenues are obligations of the Town as a whole. Accordingly, such unmatured obligations of the Town are accounted for in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group.



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**Compensated Absences** - Employees may accumulate a limited amount of earned but unused vested benefits, which will be paid upon separation from the Town's service. In Governmental Fund Types, the cost of vested benefits paid or expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported as an expenditure and fund liability of the fund. Amounts of vested or accumulated leave benefits that are not expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources are reported in the General Long-Term Debt Account Group. No expenditure is reported for these amounts.

*Fund Equity*

The portion of fund balance which has been legally segregated for a specific future use, or which indicates that a portion is not appropriable for expenditures, is shown as reserved. The following reserves are used by the Town:

**Reserved for Encumbrances** - is used to account for open purchase orders, contracts and other commitments at year-end for which goods and services have not been received.

**Reserved for Endowments** - represents the principal balance of Nonexpendable Trust Funds which must be held for investment purposes only.

**Reserved for Inventory** - represents inventory which, under the consumption method, does not represent expendable available resources, even though it is a component of net current assets.

**Reserved for Special Purposes** - is used to account for the unencumbered balance of restricted funds. These include the uncommitted balances of Capital Projects Funds, the Town's Expendable Trust Funds and the income portion of the Town's Nonexpendable Trust Funds.

**Reserved for Tax Deeded Property** - represents properties for which the Town has acquired deeds through the tax lien process, and expects to sell during the subsequent year.

The portion of unreserved fund balance for which management has specific plans is shown as designated. The following designations are used by the Town:

**Designated for Contingency** - is used to account for potential abatements or adjustments of property tax accounts for which revenue has previously been recorded.

**Designated for Special Purposes** - is used to account for the unencumbered balances of Special Revenue Funds.

F. Total Columns (Memorandum Only) on Combined Statements

Amounts in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns in the combined financial statement line items of the fund types and account group are presented for analytical purposes only. The summation includes fund types and an account group that use different bases of accounting, includes interfund

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transactions that have not been eliminated and the caption "amount to be provided," which is not an asset in the usual sense. Consequently, amounts shown in the "Total (Memorandum Only)" columns are not comparable to a consolidation and do not represent the total resources available or total revenues and expenditures/expenses of the Town.

**NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

A. Deficit Fund Balance

The Town Hall Improvements Fund has a deficit fund balance of \$7,106. As of June 30, 2000, the deficit had been \$24,279, which the Town planned to recover over two years. The Town recovered 70% of the deficit in the fiscal year 2001. The remaining deficit will be eliminated in the fiscal year 2002.

B. Excess of Expenditures Over Appropriations

The following governmental funds had an excess of expenditures over appropriations for the year ended June 30, 2001:

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	
Airport Operating	\$ 4,733
Richards Free Library	<u>15,715</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 20,448</u>

Overexpenditures occurred primarily due to the receipt and expenditure of unanticipated funds.

**NOTE 3 - ASSETS**

A. Cash and Equivalents

The Town maintains a common bank account in which the cash balances of most funds are maintained. The common bank account is used for receipts and disbursements relating to all these funds. All time deposits are the property of the General Fund.

At year-end, the Town's cash deposits categorized according to risk assumed were as follows:

*Category 1* Includes deposits that are insured (Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation).



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*Category 2* Includes deposits that are uninsured, but are collateralized by securities held by the pledging financial institution, its trust department or agent in the Town's name.

*Category 3* Includes deposits that are uninsured and uncollateralized.

	Category			Total	
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>Carrying Value</u>
Cash	<u>\$ 543,350</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 2,927,319</u>	<u>\$ 3,470,669</u>	<u>\$ 3,307,788</u>

B. Investments

Investments made by the Town are summarized below. The investments that are represented by specific identifiable investment securities are classified as to credit risk into three categories as follows:

*Category 1* Includes investments that are insured or registered, for which the securities are held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name.

*Category 2* Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the Town, broker, counter party's trust department or agent in the Town's name.

*Category 3* Includes uninsured and unregistered investments, for which the securities are held by the broker, counter party, counter party's trust department or agent, but not in the Town's name.

Most of the Town's investments are under the management of Charter Trust Company, which is the Town's agent for these funds. These investments are designated as Category 3 because they are held by an agent of the bank, but not in the Town's name.

	Category			Fair Value
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	
Certificates of Deposit	\$	\$ 85,329	\$	\$ 85,329
United States				
Government Obligations			150,542	150,542
Corporate Bonds			<u>130,985</u>	<u>130,985</u>
	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ 85,329</u>	<u>\$ 281,527</u>	\$ 366,856
Mutual Funds				517,963
New Hampshire Public				
Deposit Investment Pool				<u>2,278,958</u>
<u>Total Investments</u>				<u>\$ 3,163,777</u>

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C. Property Taxes

The property tax year is from April 1 to March 31 and all property taxes are assessed on the inventory taken in April of that year. The net assessed valuation as of April 1, 2000, upon which the 2000 property tax levy was based was:

For the State Education Tax	\$ 217,051,919
For all other taxes	\$ 222,293,319

The Town subscribes to the semi-annual method of tax collection as provided for by RSA 76:15-a. Under this method, tax bills are sent on or around June 1 and November 1 of each year, with interest accruing at a rate of 12% on bills outstanding for more than 30 days.

The June 1 billing is considered an estimate only and is one half of the previous year's tax billing. The remaining balance of taxes due is billed in the fall after the New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration has calculated and approved the Town's tax rate for the fiscal year.

In connection with the setting of the tax rate, town officials with the approval of the Department of Revenue Administration, establish and raise through taxation an amount for abatements and refunds of property taxes, known as overlay. This amount is reported as a reduction in tax revenue and is adjusted by management for any tax reserves at year-end. The property taxes collected by the Town include taxes levied for the State of New Hampshire, the Newport School District and Sullivan County, which are remitted to these governmental units as required by law. The ultimate responsibility for the collection of taxes rests with the Town.

The tax rate for the year 2000 was as follows:

	Per \$1,000 Of Assessed <u>Valuation</u>	Property Tax <u>Assessment</u>
Municipal Portion	\$ 10.58	\$ 2,352,255
<u>School Tax Assessment</u>		
State	\$ 7.10	1,540,199
Local	\$ 10.45	2,322,537
County Tax Assessment	\$ 4.11	<u>914,532</u>
 <u>Total Property Taxes Assessed</u>		 <u>\$ 7,129,523</u>

During the current fiscal year, the Tax Collector on April 5 placed a lien for all uncollected 2000 property taxes.



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Taxes receivable at June 30, 2001, are as follows:

<u>Property</u>	
Levy of 2001	\$ 1,264,324
<u>Unredeemed (under tax lien)</u>	
Levy of 2000	205,970
Levy of 1999	80,617
Excavation	3,701
Land Use Change	200
Yield	5,593
Voluntary Liens	17,907
Less: Allowance for estimated uncollectible taxes	<u>(18,339)</u>
 <u>Net Taxes Receivable</u>	 <u>\$ 1,559,973</u>

D. Other Receivables

Other receivables as of June 30, 2001, are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>	<u>Capital Projects Funds</u>	<u>Enterprise Funds</u>	<u>Trust Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Accounts	\$ 246,403	\$ 40,523	\$ 38,921	\$ 659,460	\$	\$ 985,307
Interest					6,828	6,828
Intergovernmental	417,625			850,503		1,268,128
Allowance for Uncollectible Amounts	<u>(100,921)</u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>(100,921)</u>
 <u>Net Receivables</u>	 <u>\$ 563,107</u>	 <u>\$ 40,523</u>	 <u>\$ 38,921</u>	 <u>\$ 1,509,963</u>	 <u>\$ 6,838</u>	 <u>\$ 2,159,342</u>

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E. Interfund Receivables/Payables

Individual fund interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2001 are as follows:

	<u>Interfund Receivable</u>	<u>Interfund Payable</u>
General Fund	\$ 303,707	\$ 18,007
<u>Special Revenue Funds</u>		
Airport Operating		2,596
Richards Free Library		1,400
Neighborhood Improvement		1,750
Library Arts Center		2,793
Conservation Commission	740	
Ambulance Donations		7,062
Town Wide Program		1,466
CDBG Revolving Loan	1,466	
<u>Capital Project Fund</u>		
Town Hall Improvements		46,027
<u>Enterprise Funds</u>		
Water Department	16,112	101,128
Sewer Department	5,186	113,202
<u>Trust Funds</u>		
Expendable		8,000
Nonexpendable		23,780
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 327,211</u>	<u>\$ 327,211</u>

**NOTE 4 - LIABILITIES**

A. Deferred Revenue

*General Fund*

Deferred revenue at June 30, 2001 consists of property taxes and other revenue collected or levied in advance of the fiscal year to which they apply as follows:

<u>General Fund</u>	
Fiscal Year 2001 Property Taxes	\$ 3,564,426
Other	<u>31,916</u>
<u>Total General Fund</u>	<u>\$ 3,596,342</u>



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B. Long-Term Debt

The following is a summary of the Town's general long-term debt transactions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001:

	<u>General Obligation Bonds/Notes Payable</u>	<u>Capital Leases Payable</u>	<u>Compensated Absences Payable</u>	<u>Total</u>
<i>General Long-Term Debt</i>				
<i>Account Group</i>				
<u>General Fund</u>				
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 437,800	\$ 78,127	\$ 30,552	\$ 546,479
Issued		108,904		108,904
Retired	(165,400)	(18,054)		(183,454)
Net increase in compensated absences payable			118,356	118,356
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 272,400</u>	<u>\$ 168,977</u>	<u>\$ 148,908</u>	<u>\$ 590,285</u>
<u>Richards Free Library Fund</u>				
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 2,264	\$	\$	\$ 2,264
Retired	(2,264)			(2,264)
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>
<u>Total General Long-Term Debt Account Group</u>	<u>\$ 272,400</u>	<u>\$ 168,977</u>	<u>\$ 148,908</u>	<u>\$ 590,285</u>
<i>Enterprise Funds</i>				
<u>Water Fund</u>				
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 732,758	\$	\$	\$ 732,758
Issued (Net of Forgiveness)	470,393			470,393
Retired	(36,207)			(36,207)
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,166,944</u>			<u>\$ 1,166,944</u>
<u>Sewer Fund</u>				
Balance, Beginning of Year	\$ 1,100,000	\$	\$	\$ 1,100,000
Retired	(125,000)			(125,000)
Balance, End of Year	<u>\$ 975,000</u>			<u>975,000</u>
<u>Total Enterprise Funds</u>	<u>\$ 2,141,944</u>			<u>2,141,944</u>
<u>Total General Long-Term Debt Account Group and Enterprise Funds</u>	<u>\$ 2,414,344</u>	<u>\$ 168,977</u>	<u>\$ 148,908</u>	<u>\$ 2,732,229</u>

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Long-term debt payable at June 30, 2001, is comprised of the following:

	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Interest Rate %</u>	<u>Outstanding at June 30, 2001</u>
<u>General Long-Term Debt Account Group</u>					
<u>General Obligation Bonds Payable</u>					
Police Facility	\$ 454,000	1996	2007	5.45	\$ 272,400
<u>Capital Leases Payable</u>					
Excavator	\$ 68,294	2001	2005	5.49	\$ 68,294
Sidewalk Tractor	\$ 40,610	2001	2005	6.25	40,610
Loader	\$ 100,298	1999	2004	5.27	60,073
					<u>168,977</u>
<u>Compensated Absences Payable</u>					
Vested Sick Leave					148,908
<u>Total</u>					<u>\$ 590,285</u>
<u>Enterprise Funds</u>					
<u>Water Department</u>					
Water Treatment Plant	\$ 1,050,000	1992	2022	5.5	\$ 696,551
Water Tank Replacement	\$ 470,393	2001	2006	1.1875	470,393
<u>Total Water Department</u>					<u>\$ 1,166,944</u>
<u>Sewer Department</u>					
Sewer Treatment Facilities	\$ 2,522,000	1988	2008	6.85-7.55	\$ 975,000
<u>Total Enterprise Funds</u>					<u>\$ 2,141,944</u>
<u>Total General Long-Term Debt Account Group and Enterprise Funds</u>					<u>\$ 2,732,229</u>

The annual requirements to amortize all general obligation debt outstanding as of June 30, 2001, including interest payments, are as follows:

*Annual Requirements To Amortize Governmental Fund General Obligation Bonds Payable*

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2002	\$ 45,400	\$ 14,846	\$ 60,246
2003	45,400	12,372	57,772
2004	45,400	9,897	55,297
2005	45,400	7,423	52,823
2006	45,400	4,949	50,349
2007	<u>45,400</u>	<u>2,474</u>	<u>47,874</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 272,400</u>	<u>\$ 51,961</u>	<u>\$ 324,361</u>



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*Annual Requirements to Amortize Capital Leases Payable*

Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2002	\$ 42,875	\$ 9,453	\$ 52,328
2003	46,778	7,071	53,849
2004	49,376	4,473	53,849
2005	<u>29,948</u>	<u>1,728</u>	<u>31,676</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 168,977</u>	<u>\$ 22,725</u>	<u>\$ 191,702</u>

*Annual Requirements To Amortize Enterprise Fund Bonds/Notes Payable*

Fiscal Year Ending <u>June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2001	\$ 269,289	\$ 110,626	\$ 379,915
2002	265,477	99,574	365,051
2003	259,879	87,268	347,147
2004	245,736	74,885	320,621
2005	226,046	62,704	288,750
2006-2022	<u>875,517</u>	<u>256,916</u>	<u>1,132,433</u>
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$ 2,141,944</u>	<u>\$ 691,973</u>	<u>\$ 2,833,917</u>

All debt is general obligation debt of the Town, which is backed by its full faith and credit. Enterprise Fund debt will be funded through user fees. All other debt will be repaid from general governmental revenues.

All lease-purchase agreements contain non-appropriation funding clauses whereby, in the event no funds or insufficient funds are appropriated by the Town, the leases shall terminate without penalty or expense to the Town.

*Bonds or Notes Authorized - Unissued*

Bonds and notes authorized and unissued as of June 30, 2001 were as follows:

Per Town Meeting <u>Vote of</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Unissued Amount</u>
May 9, 2000	Water/Sewer Projects Road Reconstruction	\$ 30,000
May 8, 2001	South Main Street Sewer Project	<u>348,000</u>
		<u>\$ 378,000</u>

*TOWN OF NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE*

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*JUNE 30, 2001*

**NOTE 5 - OTHER INFORMATION**

**A. Risk Management**

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; errors or omissions; injuries to employees; or natural disasters. During fiscal year 2001, the Town was a member of the New Hampshire Public Risk Management Exchange (Primex) Workers' Compensation Program which is a pooled risk management program under RSAs 5-B and 281-A. The workers' compensation and employer's liability policy provides statutory coverage for workers' compensation and up to \$2,000,000 of employer's liability coverage. Primex retained \$300,000 of each loss. The membership and coverage run from January 1 through December 31. The estimated net contribution from the Town of Newport billed for the year ended December 31, 2001 was \$22,887 of which \$17,167 was paid as of June 30, 2001 and the remainder of \$5,720 is being paid in monthly installments through October 2001. The member participation agreement permits Primex to make additional assessments to members, should there be a deficiency in contributions for any member year, not to exceed the member's annual contribution. At this time, Primex foresees no likelihood of an assessment for this or any prior year.

The Town continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including employee and public official fidelity bonds, health and accident insurance.

**B. Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

*Plan Description and Provisions.*

The Town of Newport participates in the New Hampshire Retirement System (System) which is the administrator of a cost-sharing multiple-employer contributory pension plan and trust established in 1967 by RSA 100-A:2 and is qualified as a tax-exempt organization under Sections 401(a) and 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. The plan is a contributory, defined benefit plan providing service, disability, death and vested retirement benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Provisions for benefits and contributions are established and can be amended by the New Hampshire State Legislature. The System issues a publicly available financial report that may be obtained by writing the New Hampshire Retirement System, 4 Chenell Drive, Concord, NH 03301.



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*Description of Funding Policy*

The System is financed by contributions from both the employees and the Town. Member contribution rates are established and may be amended by the State legislature while employer contribution rates are set by the System trustees based on an actuarial valuation. All employees except police officers and firefighters are required to contribute 5% of earnable compensation. Police officers and firefighters are required to contribute 9.3% of gross earnings. For the year ended June 30, 2001, the Town contributed 4.93% for police officers, 5.70% for firefighters and 4.24% for other employees. The contribution requirements for the Town of Newport for the fiscal years 1999, 2000, and 2001 were \$76,929, \$86,995, and \$92,515, respectively, which were paid in full in each year.

The State of New Hampshire funds 35% of employer costs for firefighters and police officers employed by the Town. The State does not participate in funding the employer costs of other Town employees. GASB Statement #24, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Grants and Other Financial Assistance* requires this amount to be reported as a revenue and expenditure in the Town's financial statements. This amount \$19,100 has been included on Exhibit B - Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Fund Types and Expendable Trust Funds and is reconciled to the budgetary expenditures in Note 1D.

C. Changes in Contributed Capital - Enterprise Funds

	<u>Federal and State Grants</u>
<i>Water Department</i>	
Balance - July 1, 2000	\$ 897,837
Capital Contributed	269,466
Depreciation Applied to Contributed Capital	<u>(33,283)</u>
Balance - June 30, 2001	<u>\$ 1,134,020</u>
<i>Sewer Department</i>	
Balance - July 1, 2000	\$ 2,994,223
Depreciation Applied to Contributed Capital	<u>(104,070)</u>
Balance - June 30, 2001	<u>\$ 2,890,153</u>

TOWN OF NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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D. Segment Information for Proprietary Funds

*Enterprise Funds*

The Town maintains two Enterprise Funds. The Water Department Fund accounts for the provision of water services and the Sewer Department Fund accounts for the basic sewage treatment facilities. Selected segment information for the year ended June 30, 2001, is as follows:

	<u>Water Department</u>	<u>Sewer Department</u>	<u>Total</u>
Operating Revenues	\$ 490,682	\$ 560,337	\$ 1,051,019
Depreciation	113,328	178,094	291,422
Operating Income (Loss)	5,758	(2,555)	3,203
Net Income (Loss)	21,758	(18,868)	2,890
Current Capital Contributions	269,466		269,466
Depreciation Reducing Capital Contributions	33,283	104,070	137,353
Property, Plant, and Equipment Additions	774,127	117,627	891,754
Net Working Capital	1,254,820	1,440,046	2,694,866
Total Assets	4,658,761	6,409,683	11,068,444
Bonds and Other Long-Term Liabilities			
Payable from Operating Revenues	1,166,944	975,000	2,141,944
Total Equity	3,363,866	5,304,635	8,668,501

E. Summary Disclosure of Significant Contingencies

*Litigation*

There are various claims and suits pending against the Town which arise in the normal course of the Town's activities. In the opinion of management, the ultimate disposition of these various claims and suits will not have a material effect on the financial position of the Town.

*Grants*

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by such grantor agencies, principally the Federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the Town expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.



*TOWN OF NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE*

*NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS*

*JUNE 30, 2001*

I. Restatement of Fund Balance

The General Fund fund balance at July 1, 2000 was restated to give retroactive effect to the following prior period adjustment:

To remove budgetary prepaid items	\$ (74,695)
Fund balance, as previously stated	<u>1,592,308</u>
Fund balance, as restated	<u>\$ 1,517,613</u>



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### *INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF REPORTABLE CONDITIONS AND OTHER MATTERS*

To the Members of the  
Board of Selectmen and Town Manager  
Town of Newport  
Newport, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the Town of Newport for the year ended June 30, 2001, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

The following condition was noted that we do not believe is a material weakness:

#### *Library Arts Center*

Upon review of the Library Arts Center's records, the following items were noted:

- There was a lack of supporting documentation for many disbursements made.
- A disbursement check during the year was made out to "Cash", and no supporting documentation was retained.



*Town of Newport*

*Independent Auditor's Communication of Reportable Conditions and Other Matters*

In order to assist the Town in correcting the above-mentioned problems, we recommend the following:

- All disbursements from the Fund should be supported by invoices and authorized in writing by the Library Arts Center Director and/or Library Trustees.
- No disbursement checks should be written out to "Cash." They should be made out to a vendor or specific individual, and they should be properly approved and supported by the appropriate invoice documentation.

During the course of our review of internal controls, no material weaknesses in the Town's accounting systems and records were identified.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report which is a matter of public record.

November 19, 2001

*Plodzik & Sanderson  
Professional Association*

# TREASURER'S REPORT

## GENERAL FUND:

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$2,052,951.07
Income:		
Tax Collector	\$8,001,712.53	
Town Clerk	835,659.39	
Selectmen	2,714,722.07	
Interest	93,689.41	
Total Income		11,645,783.40
Disbursements		(10,912,400.04)
Ending Balance - June 30, 2001		<u>\$2,786,334.43</u>
Checking - Operating	\$97,488.84	
Checking - Payroll	1,159.90	
Savings - Pooled	424,983.06	
Savings - NHPDIP	2,262,702.63	
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$2,786,334.43</u>

## POLICE FACILITY CAPITAL PROJECT FUND:

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$15,391.97
Interest		863.48
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$16,255.45</u>

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$10,089.87
Income:		
Receipts	1,000.00	
Interest	317.61	
Total Income		1,317.61
Disbursements		(1,886.60)
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$9,520.88</u>
Checking	\$6,852.69	
Certificate of Deposit	2,668.19	
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$9,520.88</u>

## CORBIN ROAD TREE FUND:

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$932.10
Interest		25.31
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$957.41</u>



**1998 TOWN WIDE CDBG TARGET AREA FUNDS:**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$25,253.47
Income:		
CDBG Grant	\$25,345.74	
Interest	<u>122.64</u>	
Total Income		25,468.38
Disbursements		<u>(41,748.28)</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$8,973.57</u></u>

**AMBULANCE FUND:**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$27,068.93
Income:		
Donations	\$12,100.00	
Interest	<u>793.30</u>	
Total Income		12,893.30
Disbursements		<u>0.00</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$39,962.23</u></u>

**NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT FUND:**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$41,532.62
Income:		
Loan Repayments	\$6,168.24	
Interest	<u>1,207.66</u>	
Total Income		<u>7,375.90</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$48,908.52</u></u>

**AIRPORT:****OPERATING FUND:**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$36,736.22
Income:		
Charges for Service	\$31,391.03	
Interest	<u>298.15</u>	
Total Income		31,689.18
Disbursements		<u>(50,715.79)</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$17,709.61</u></u>

**BUILDING FUND:**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$0.00
Income:		
Donations	\$3,250.00	
Interest	<u>24.30</u>	
Total Income		3,274.30
Disbursements		<u>0.00</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$3,274.30</u></u>

**CDBG - REVOLVING LOAN FUND:**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$0.00
Receipts:		
Loan Repayments	\$2,658.81	
Interest	<u>12.50</u>	
Total Income		<u>2,671.31</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$2,671.31</u></u>

**SEWER FUND:  
OPERATING**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$689,592.98
Income:		
User fees	\$530,581.51	
State Aid	129,676.00	
Interest	<u>30,940.60</u>	
Total Income		691,198.11
Disbursements		
Bond Payments	200,507.11	
Ordinary Expenses	<u>469,708.19</u>	
Total Disbursements		<u>(670,215.30)</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$710,575.79</u></u>
Checking	\$10,879.13	
Savings	444,409.33	
Savings - Pooled	<u>255,287.33</u>	
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$710,575.79</u></u>

**ACCESS FEES**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$90,989.08
Income:		
Interest	<u>\$5,606.01</u>	
Total Income		<u>5,606.01</u>
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u><u>\$96,595.09</u></u>



**WATER FUND:  
OPERATING**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$814,125.10
Income:		
User Fees	\$464,543.72	
CDBG Grant	350,000.00	
State Revolving Loan Fund	546,956.48	
State of NH - Bond Aid	24,005.10	
Interest	35,287.17	
Total Income		1,420,792.47
Disbursements:		
Water Tank	829,016.68	
Bond	76,508.68	
Operating Expences	361,257.69	
Total Disbursements		(1,266,783.05)
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$968,134.52</u>
Checking	\$4,059.87	
Savings	735,848.46	
Savings - Pooled	228,226.19	
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$968,134.52</u>

**ACCESS FEES**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$73,605.12
Income:		
Interest	\$4,534.93	
Total Income		4,534.93
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$78,140.05</u>

**PRELOAD RETAINAGE**

Beginning Balance - July 1, 2000		\$7,084.47
Income:		
Retainage	\$36,366.39	
Interest	893.92	
Total Income		37,260.31
Disbursements		(32,199.88)
Cash on Hand - June 30, 2001		<u>\$12,144.90</u>

Jonathon Howard, Town Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

JULY 1, 2000 to JUNE 30, 2001

EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

<u>Creation</u>	<u>Name</u>	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			TOTAL Principal & Income
		Beginning Balance	New Funds	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Withdrawals	
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS								
1972	Fire Department	0.00		0.00	1,511.01	79.20		1,590.21
1974	Ambulance	40,000.00	15,000.00	55,000.00	6,692.00	2,369.52		9,061.52
1984	Highway Department	40,500.00		0.00	3,511.52	95.28	(1,500.00)	2,106.80
1989	Sewer Department	251,873.50	30,000.00	281,873.50	72,340.55	22,222.86		94,563.41
1989	Police Department	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	1,425.13	237.15		1,662.28
1990	Water Department	34,373.50		34,373.50	11,699.91	3,097.82		14,797.73
1992	Town Office Computers	3,981.00		3,981.00	1,343.35	357.99		1,701.34
1993	Recreation Department	8,000.00	5,000.00	13,000.00	1,391.74	284.95		1,676.69
1996	Central Street	0.00		0.00	0.00			0.00
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS								
1995	Earned Time	25,000.00		25,000.00	5,184.54	2,030.56		7,215.10
TOTAL EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS		\$403,728.00	\$60,000.00	\$423,228.00	\$105,099.75	\$30,775.33	(\$1,500.00)	\$134,375.08
								\$557,603.08

NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS

	PRINCIPAL			INCOME			TOTAL Principal & Income
	Beginning Balance	New Funds	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Withdrawals	
Various	408,457.67	4,200.00	420,336.57	27,826.00	16,951.45	(23,617.38)	441,496.64
TOTAL NON-EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND:		4,200.00	420,336.57	27,826.00	16,951.45	(23,617.38)	441,496.64



## **NEWPORT TAX DEPARTMENT 2001 ANNUAL TOWN REPORT**

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**Tax Collector**  
Daniel P. O'Neill

**Senior Deputy Tax Collector**  
Elaine Van Dusen, CDTC

**Deputy Tax Collector**  
Tammy Flewelling

### **Staff Changes:**

The year 2001 brought some staff changes to the Tax Department. In May, Tara Kavanagh left the Town for a new job opportunity and Kaara Gonyo, the tax deputy for the last nine years decided to take the position of Assessing Administrative Assistant. Kaara assumed her new duties with the same dedication and zeal that she has always displayed in her employment for the Town. In June, the Town hired Tammy Flewelling to fill the deputy position. Tammy has proved to be well qualified and a real asset to the office. Tammy will be enrolling in the Tax Collector's Certification Program this summer. It is a detailed three year program that is held for one week each year and qualifies the tax collector as to the many tasks involved in the New Hampshire Tax Collecting process.

### **Office Changes:**

The renovations of the Municipal Building creating some moving of offices. Management and Finance Offices were moved to the top floor and the Town Clerks were moved to the Town Manager's old office. This made room for the Water/Sewer office to move to the Town Clerk's old office and join the Tax and Assessing Offices. This move has made it easier for the Tax, Assessing, and Water/Sewer Departments to share common information regarding owners, transfers, liens, etc. and to provide cross training and coverage.

### **County Meeting:**

As a coordinator for the Sullivan County Tax Collectors, an annual meeting was held on October 24, 2001. The meeting was a tour of the Sullivan County Registry of Deeds and Registry of Probate. The meeting was well attended and very informative as to their relations to our work.

### **Annual New Hampshire Tax Collector's Convention:**

This year's convention was held in Nashua, N.H. The convention started on September 11, 2001. I rode with three other tax collectors and when we arrived everyone was gathered in the lounge around the television set. We had no idea of the tragedy, as it had all happened while

we were en route. The entire convention atmosphere was very strained and there were stranded pilots and flight attendants at the motel. It was very emotional when they left for their next flight. Concentration was difficult and the program was effected because with no flights, some speakers had to cancel. It certainly is a convention that I will never forget.

On the positive side of the convention, I enjoyed several privileges. As a County Coordinator I was invited to attend a round table discussion with the new tax collectors. It was a chance for them to discuss their new job and ask questions of experienced collectors. I also had been chosen by the New Hampshire Tax Collector's Education Committee to be one of four tax collectors to serve on a panel to design and present a sample procedural manual. The manual was well received and will become an effective tool to each tax collector's office and a helpful guide for the new collectors.

**Thank-you:**

The Tax Office staff thanks you for your positive attitude and prompt attention to your bills and looks forward to serving you in the coming year.

**Elaine Van Dusen,  
Senior Deputy Tax Collector**



# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## REPORT OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES

	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Uncollected Taxes - July 1, 2000:			
Property Taxes		\$882,290.42	
Excavation Activity Taxes		1,020.00	
Yield Taxes			1,647.14
Elderly & Disability Liens			18,745.67
Excavation Activity Taxes			
Land Use Change Taxes			1,330.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes	\$3,566,605.00	\$4,284,138.70	
Land Use Change Taxes		8,600.00	
Yield Taxes	143.13	49,771.48	2,956.46
Excavation Taxes		2,939.28	
Excavation Activity Taxes	10,198.00	12,320.00	
Elderly & Disability Liens		4,001.37	
Prepaid Property Taxes	1,947.09		
Overpayments	1,570.00	78.00	
Interest and Costs - All Taxes	125.00	40,440.96	378.86
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$3,580,588.22</u>	<u>\$5,285,600.21</u>	<u>\$25,058.13</u>
Remitted to Treasurer:			
Property Taxes	\$2,299,725.02	\$5,152,610.12	
Land Use Change Taxes		8,400.00	1,330.00
Yield Taxes	143.13	44,178.71	3,855.38
Excavation Taxes		2,939.28	
Excavation Activity Taxes	6,497.00	12,495.00	
Interest and Costs	75.00	40,440.96	378.86
Elderly & Disability Liens			12,314.80
Prepaid Property Taxes	1,947.09		
Abatements:			
Property Taxes	2,179.00	14,742.00	
Yield Taxes			748.22
Curr. Levy Deeded			
Uncollected Taxes - June 30, 2001:			
Property Taxes	1,266,320.98		
Yield Taxes		5,592.77	
Land Use Change Taxes		200.00	
Excavation Activity Taxes	3,701.00		
Elderly & Disability Liens		4,001.37	6,430.87
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$3,580,588.22</u>	<u>\$5,285,600.21</u>	<u>\$25,058.13</u>

# TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

## REPORT OF UNREDEEMED TAXES

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>Prior</u>
Unredeemed Taxes - July 1, 2000:		\$180,258.60	\$107,238.09
Liens Executed	\$345,369.28	19,686.39	
Interest and Costs	<u>3,779.46</u>	<u>16,943.72</u>	<u>35,765.23</u>
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$349,148.74</u>	<u>\$216,888.71</u>	<u>\$143,003.32</u>
Remitted to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	\$134,931.41	\$113,498.02	\$105,098.32
Interest and Costs	<u>3,779.46</u>	<u>16,943.72</u>	<u>35,765.23</u>
Abatements	4,188.09		
Deeded to Town	279.98	230.30	264.26
Unredeemed Taxes - June 30, 2001:	<u>205,969.80</u>	<u>86,216.67</u>	<u>1,875.51</u>
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$349,148.74</u>	<u>\$216,888.71</u>	<u>\$143,003.32</u>

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### PROPERTY TAX LIEN HISTORY

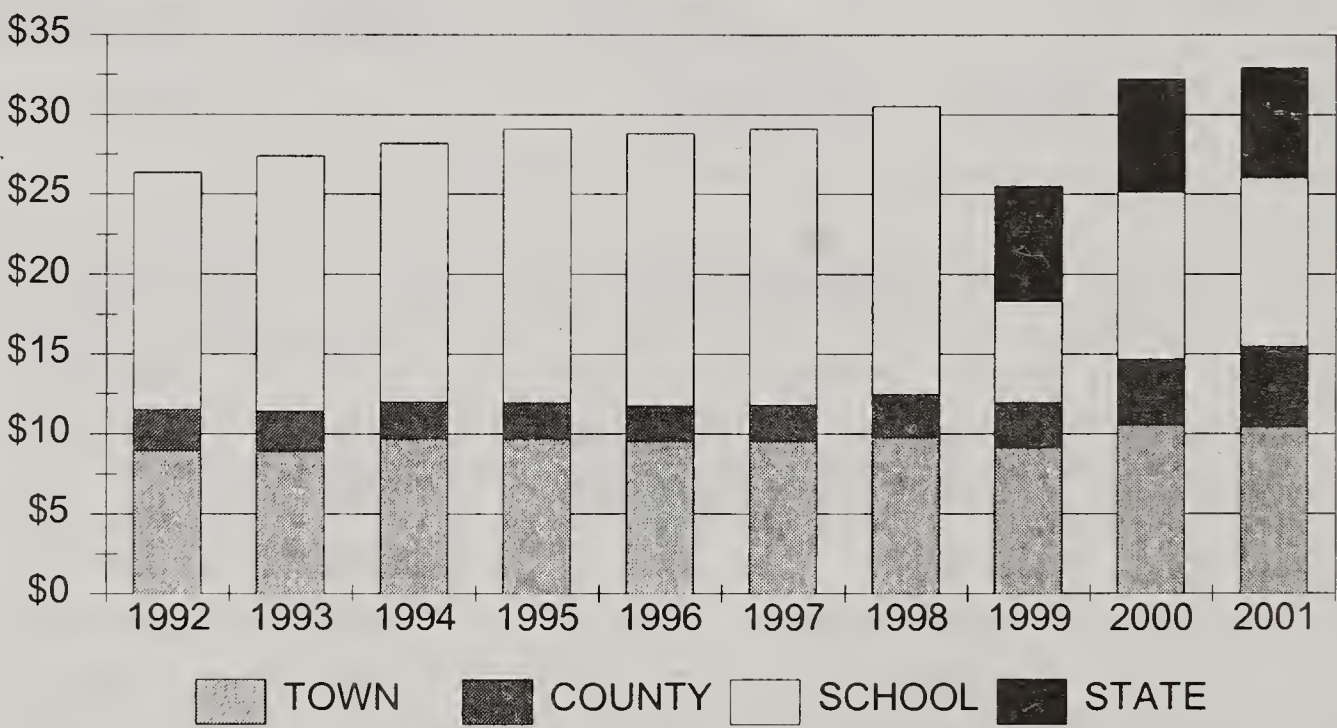
<u>Year of Tax Levy</u>	<u>Total Tax Committed *</u>	<u>% of Taxes Uncollected</u>	<u># of Liens</u>
1992	6,445,399	15%	513
1993	6,709,059	13%	458
1994	6,928,514	9%	343
1995	7,236,995	9%	334
1996	7,215,962	6%	290
1997	7,310,463	6%	258
1998	6,607,617	5%	202
1999	5,550,482	4%	189
2000	7,093,870	5%	219
2000	7,294,792	4%	190



# TEN YEAR TAX RATE COMPARISON

## 1992-2001

	School Rate	% of Total Rate	State School Rate	% of Total Rate	Town Rate	% of Total Rate	County Rate	% of Total Rate	Total Rate
1992	\$14.84	56.3%	\$	0.0%	\$8.99	34.1%	\$2.54	9.6%	\$26.37
1993	15.98	58.3%		0.0%	8.96	32.7%	2.46	9.0%	27.40
1994	16.18	57.4%		0.0%	9.72	34.5%	2.30	8.2%	28.20
1995	17.18	59.0%		0.0%	9.70	33.3%	2.22	7.6%	29.10
1996	17.05	59.2%		0.0%	9.57	33.2%	2.18	7.6%	28.80
1997	17.29	59.4%		0.0%	9.55	32.8%	2.29	7.9%	29.13
1998	18.06	59.2%		0.0%	9.77	32.0%	2.70	8.8%	30.53
1999	6.38	25.0%	7.17	28.1%	9.17	35.9%	2.81	11.0%	25.53
2000	10.45	32.4%	7.10	22.0%	10.58	32.8%	4.11	12.7%	32.24
2001	10.55	32.0%	6.89	20.9%	10.44	31.7%	5.06	15.4%	32.94



## ASSESSING DEPARTMENT 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

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### Assessing Assistant

Kaara K. Gonyo

### Assessor

George W. Hildum III

### 2001

The year 2001 saw several changes in the Assessing Department. Along with staffing replacement, this past year provided us with a software upgrade, updated maps, as well as new legislature involving assessment procedures.

### SOFTWARE UPGRADE

The new upgrade was installed in November 2001. This upgrade allows the user to operate and access the assessing records with a windows-based approach, which is an easier format. It also enables more flexible options for reports and data research for the Assessing Department. The program was installed in the lobby computer in January 2002, for use by the public.

### TAX MAP UPDATE

The Town hired Cartographic Associates, Inc., to update the tax maps. The maps had several years that had to be updated. This project included the maps being scanned so that in the future corrections would be made by computer, and it also added a legend to the bottom of the maps to provide more complete information. The completed maps were received in November 2001 and were placed in various locations for everyone's use. If you come in to use the maps in and notice that there are some things that don't appear correct, please inform us in the Tax/Assessing Department and we will research the information and correct it if needed in the next update.

### ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

New legislation was enacted in 2001 that requires municipalities to assess properties every five years and go through a "Certification" process to show that the assessment practices in each community are uniform and follow standards that are being set by the State. There were two different boards established to set these standards, the Assessing Standards Board and the Equalization Standards Board. The certification process has five different components for the municipality to be considered "certified" and not have to undergo a complete revaluation of property. We have already begun to look at the criteria and have established a work plan so that when Newport needs to be "certified" we will be prepared. We are still waiting for the final standards to be set by the two Boards which is projected to be completed in the upcoming year. Because this is a newly established process, we



will continue to receive updates and keep monitoring our status.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The Assessing Office hours are Monday - Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Assessor holds office hours two days per month. To schedule an appointment, please contact the Assessing Office at 863-6407 and I will be glad to arrange the appointment for you. If you have any property related questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the office.

Once again, the Assessing Department thanks you, the taxpayers, for continuing to give feedback, support and assistance in maintaining the Town's appraisal records. We look forward to working with you in the future.

**Kaara K. Gonyo,  
Assessing Clerk**

# ASSESSOR'S REPORT

## PRELIMINARY 2002 NET TAXABLE VALUATION

	2002 Preliminary Valuation *	% of Total Valuation
Current Use Property	<u>\$1,913,291</u>	0.848%
Residential:		
Property	35,416,800	15.703%
Buildings	<u>114,409,600</u>	50.728%
Total Residential	<u>149,826,400</u>	66.431%
Commercial/Industrial:		
Property	14,373,600	6.373%
Buildings	<u>54,909,100</u>	24.346%
Total Commercial/Industrial	<u>69,282,700</u>	30.719%
Utilities:		
Property	125,600	0.056%
Buildings	<u>5,526,000</u>	2.450%
Total Utilities	<u>5,651,600</u>	2.506%
Less: Blind/Elderly Exempt Property Included Above	<u>(1,136,400)</u>	-0.504%
<b>Net Taxable Valuation</b>	<b><u><u>\$225,537,591</u></u></b>	
Tax Exempt:		
Property	\$3,736,000	1.656%
Buildings	<u>26,420,000</u>	11.714%
Total Tax Exempt	<u><u>\$30,156,000</u></u>	13.371%

\* Adjustments anticipated prior to setting tax rate.

## COMPARISON TO PRIOR YEAR VALUATION

	2001 Final Valuation	2002 Preliminary Valuation	Change
Current Use	\$1,966,989	\$1,913,291	-2.730%
Residential	149,720,200	149,826,400	0.071%
Commercial/Industrial	67,734,800	69,282,700	2.285%
Utilities	5,351,400	5,651,600	5.610%
Exemptions	<u>(1,229,733)</u>	<u>(1,136,400)</u>	-7.590%
Net Taxable Valuation	<u><u>\$223,543,656</u></u>	<u><u>\$225,537,591</u></u>	0.892%
Tax Exempt	<u><u>\$30,151,000</u></u>	<u><u>\$30,156,000</u></u>	0.017%



## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Location	Map/Lot	Purpose/Use	Valuation
TOWN			
8 Greenwood Road	0019-0021	Tax Deeded Property - Old Mill	4,900
Oak Street	0019-0063-2	Tax Deeded Property - Land only	11,800
Oak Street	0019-2012	Cemetery	24,500
567 Oak Street	0019-2165	Future Cemetery	58,000
Corbin Road	0020-0056	Vacant	22,500
8 Airport Road	0020-2364	Airport	423,100
Sugar River	0020-2471	Vacant	20,600
Reeds Mill	0021-1001	Vacant	6,400
Sugar River	0025-0001	Vacant	10,400
Old Hurd	0025-2367	Vacant/Gravel Pit	15,500
Summer Street	0027-0131	Vacant/Conservation Easement	8,155
North Main Street	0027-0170	Vacant	8,800
365 North Main St	0027-0443	Vacant	9,500
268 North Main St	0027-1583	Vacant	56,700
North Main Street	0027-1753	Vacant	28,300
North Main Street	0027-1832	Vacant/Stp Easement	1,150
North Main Street	0027-2121-2	Stp Lagoons	325,400
2360 Summer Street	0027-2365	Water Tower	67,400
20 Putnam Road	0028-2468	Sewer Treatment Plant	4,075,600
Spruce Street	0029-0861	Vacant	400
Cheney Extension	0029-2470	Wilmarth Park	40,600
428 Sunapee Street	0031-2502	Pine Grove Cemetery	90,500
Sunapee Street	0031-2505	Cemetery	22,500
Sunapee Street	0032-2508	Vacant	5,700
Sugar River	0033-1113	Waste Treatment Lagoons	144,800
Sunapee Street	0034-2518	Pump House	1,300
Sugar River	0036-1523	Vacant	52,700
Sunapee Street	0036-1635-1	Pump House	26,000
Sugar River	0037-2410	Vacant	2,200
65 Belknap Street	0042-1268	Recreation Building	216,400
North Main Street	0043-0506	Town Common	85,900
40 Pine Street	0044-0084	Vacant	18,700
Pine Street	0044-0112	Vacant	19,500
Meadow Road	0045-0027	Vacant	2,500
Elm Street	0045-0121	Vacant	35,000
Mechanic Street Rear	0045-0202	Vacant	200
20 Main Street	0045-0258	Town Hall/Opera House	620,400
20 Main Street	0045-0258	District Court	188,400
15 Sunapee Street	0045-0258	Town Office	211,000
11 Sunapee Street	0045-0258	Fire Station	419,100
59 Sunapee Street	0045-0400	Vacant	45,900
47 Central Street	0045-0590	Vacant	7,600
2 Arnold Campbell Dr	0045-1818	Police Station	23,000

59 Main Street	0045-1818-2	Police Station	543,000
Pearl Street	0045-2022-1	Vacant	1,200
15 Meadow Road	0045-2509	Ambulance Building	100,100
Meadow Road	0045-2510	Vacant/Floodplain	39,300
Mechanic St Rear	0045-2511	Vacant	1,400
Various	0046-1118	Right-Of-Way	54,600
Sunapee Street	0046-2348	Pumping Station Easement	9,500
Various	0048-0325	River Right-Of-Way	200
Maple Street	0048-2498	Cemetery	37,100
Chandlers Mills Rd	0052-2493	Vacant	2,300
Chandlers Mills Rd	0052-2494	Vacant	2,300
John Stark Highway	0054-1611	Tax Deeded Property - Land only	8,000
Bascom Road	0062-0054	Tax Deeded Property - Land only	8,600
Breakneck Road	0063-1516	Vacant	51,700
449 South Main Street	0063-1735	Public Works Garage	653,900
140 Pollards Mill	0063-2388	Water Department	52,400
Old Go'shen Road	0064-0527	Tax Deeded Property - Land only	7,200
Blaisdell Road	0064-0817	Vacant	400
Unity Road	0076-0544-1	Pump House	7,000
Unity Road-Unity	M13F3-457	Water Treatment Plant	477,100
Unity Road-Unity	M8J8-734	Clorination Building	27,420

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT

237 North Main Street	0028-2467	Newport Middle High School	4,643,700
North Main Street	0029-1553	Sugar River Tech Center	3,123,000
86 North Main Street	0043-1541	Towle Elementary School	1,399,700
15 School Street	0043-2513	Richards Elementary School	2,024,400

The Town underwent a complete property revaluation as of April 1, 1998. A listing of all properties in Town can be found in the 1999 Town Report. There is access to the property assessing system in the lobby of the Town Office for use by the general public.



## TOWN CLERK 2001 ANNUAL REPORT

Karlene W. Stoddard, Town Clerk

Adelaide Kozlik, Deputy Town Clerk

It has been our pleasure to serve the residents of Newport this past year as it has in all past years. This year marks my 15<sup>th</sup> year serving the citizens of Newport as your Town Clerk. Addie Kozlik, the Deputy Town Clerk, celebrated her 10<sup>th</sup> year in 2001. As in most years, 2001 saw numerous changes. In March we moved our office to where the Town Manager's office used to be. We really enjoy being in our new area.

In our continuing effort to keep up with the many new laws and changes that are passed each year, I attended the Town Clerks re-certification class and also attended the Town Clerk's Annual Convention. Addie attended the Spring Workshop.

### **REGISTRATION:**

In our continuing effort to serve the public we continue to be Municipal Agents. We do new registrations (if the weight is under 8001 pounds), renewals (if not more than two months late) and transfers. This includes passenger, trailer, and motorcycle plates.

The conservation "Moose" plate is seen all over NH and people seem to like it. The price for these plates is an initial plate fee of \$5.00 plus the additional fee of \$30.00 per year. The Vanity Conservation plates are available at an additional fee of \$25.00 per year. The normal state registration and municipal permit fees will also be assessed. These plates may be obtained at renewal time or on a new vehicle registration.

The unveiling of the new Veteran plate was November 8, 2001. To qualify for the new Veteran plates, the registrant must provide a copy of their DD214 verification of service form indicating that they were Honorable Discharged. The normal state registration and municipal permit fees will be assessed, along with the \$5.00 plate fee and a one time \$25.00 fee for each set of Veteran plates. A registrant may have multiple sets of Veteran plates. Vanity Veteran plates are available at an additional fee of \$25.00 each year. These plates are also only available at renewal time or on a new vehicle registration. The Veteran vanity plates may contain up to six characters. By statute, the new Veteran plates are non-transferable and expire upon the death of the veteran.

All registrants with any type of current Veteran plate must change to the new style disabled Veteran plate at renewal time or on a new registration. Only one set of disabled Veteran plates or one set of handicap plates is allowed per person. The State fee for the set of disabled Veteran plates is \$5.00. If a vanity disabled Veteran plate is selected, an additional fee of \$25.00 each year will be assessed. The disabled Veteran vanity plates may contain up to four characters.

On January 1, 2001 a new law went into effect for registration of certain title exempt vehicles. No person shall register a motor vehicle exempted under RSA 261:3, I(k) in this state without first providing a previously issued NH certificate of registration (can not be expired for over 30 days), a valid out-of-state certificate of title, or a current NH vehicle identification number verification form

as prescribed by the director. For the purposes of this section, a temporary registration does not meet the requirement. The verification forms can be picked up at this office.

On August 1, 2001 the State registration fees increased by \$6.00 on each of the first 3 weight brackets. We have had no indication from the state as to when they will start issuing new plates for other vehicles. (HCAP-TRAI -MOTO ECT)

**VOTING:** 2001 was one of the easier years as far as voting was concerned. We voted only at Town Meeting. This year the Town Meeting will be May 14, the State Primary Election on September 10, the General Election on November 5, plus there is always the possibility of special meetings. The purging of the checklist was done and the checklist is in even better shape. Same day voter registration is always available.

**BOOK RESTORATION:** In our continuing effort to restore older records we have restored two more of our older records. The first book was Births for 1931-1937 and the other was Deaths for 1931-1937.

**VITAL RECORDS:** Prices for certified copies remain the same as last year. The first copy is \$12.00, additional copies obtained at the same time are \$8.00. Marriage Licenses are \$45.00. Laminating is available and is especially good on the pocket size birth certificates. There is an additional fee of \$1.00 for this service.

**DOGS:** All dogs should be registered by May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. As soon as you get a new dog it should be registered. A puppy over 4 months also needs to be registered. Prices are \$9.00 for a regular dog, \$6.50 for an altered dog or a puppy up to age 7 months and \$2.00 for the 1st dog of a person age 65 or older. Proof of rabies inoculation and neutering is required.

**HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES:** The price for hunting and fishing licenses increased by approximately 30% this year, with another proposed increase for next year. Also new rules: we need to see either a driver's license or a non-driver's identification. This has to be recorded on the hunting and fishing licenses. For the permanent license the licensee has to be at least 68 and a resident of New Hampshire for at least 2 years. For a regular hunting or fishing license the licensee must have been a resident for at least 6 months.

**2001 TOWN CLERK DEPARTMENT COLLECTIONS:**

Town			State		
Auto registrations	(9003)	\$849,086.42	(7790)		\$219,038.45
Dogs	( 766)	3,273.00			1,662.50
Miscellaneous*		<u>32,681.60</u>			<u>5,404.00</u>
Total		\$885,041.02			\$226,104.95

\*Miscellaneous includes UCC filings, Marriage Licenses, Vital Record copies, Filing fees and Transfer Station Cards.

**Karlene W. Stoddard,**  
**Town Clerk**



2001 RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT  
NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Jan 10	New London	Kali Alia Simmons	Chamberly Simmons	Sandra Simmons
Jan 31	New London	Abigail Louise Paquin	Leo Paquin	Laura Paquin
Feb 06	Lebanon	Nathaniel Shean Tracy	Daniel Tracy	Kelly Tracy
Feb 07	Lebanon	John Richard Ellison	John Ellison	Tammy Ellison
Feb 08	Claremont	Ethan John Ciesielski	John Ciesielski	Christine Ciesielski
Feb 15	Lebanon	Elisabeth Jaiden Flanders	Jeffrey Flanders	Kelly Flanders
Feb 17	Lebanon	Jaeda P Rochford Hague	Alan Hague	Kerry Rochford Hague
Feb 23	Claremont	Trunks Xavier Thomas	Jesse Thomas	Nancy Thomas
Feb 24	Claremont	Ethan Edson Martin	Kieth Martin	Sonia Martin
Mar 22	Claremont	Brittany Lynn Mills	Brian Mills	Lisa Mills
Mar 25	New London	Jarrod Shawn-Levi Hubbard	Brian Hubbard	Ann-Marie Hubbard
Mar 31	Lebanon	Jaclyn Cristina Bartlett	Christopher Bartlett	Tracy Bartlett
Apr 03	Lebanon	Samuel David Johnson	James Johnson	Brenda Johnson
Apr 10	Claremont	Baby Boy West	Daniel West	Annamarie West
Apr 10	New London	Jackson Blake Miller	Jeffrey Miller	Joanne Miller
Apr 19	Lebanon	Lawson John Boucher	Lance Boucher	Michelle Boucher
Apr 19	Claremont	Nathan Leavitt Currier	Brian Currier	Stefanee Currier
Apr 20	Claremont	Marisa Nichole Cota	Richard Cota	Deena Cota
May 01	New London	Jason Edward Orlowski	Jason Orlowski	Dawn Orlowski
May 01	Claremont	Lila Mae Hamilton	Raymond Hamilton	Veronica Hamilton
May 01	Claremont	Kelly Lynne Hamilton	Raymond Hamilton	Veronica Hamilton
May 03	Claremont	James Andrew Blaine	James Blaine	Jennifer Blaine
May 03	Claremont	Kaitlin Michelle Carroll	Harry Townsend	Sherriann Carroll
May 07	Lebanon	Sean Christopher Gaherty	Christopher Gaherty	Melissa Gaherty
May 15	Lebanon	Josiah Todd Hector	Eric Hector	Jennifer Hector
May 15	Claremont	Deirdre Mae Bressette	Terry Bressette	Catherine Bressette
May 25	New London	Grace Kimberly Brown	Paul Brown	Lisa Ferrigno

2001 RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT  
NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Jun 01	New London	Emily Jane Hastings	Christopher Hastings	Dawn Hastings
Jun 16	Lebanon	Anthony Michael Robertson	Craig Robertson	Holly Robertson
Jun 21	New London	Angel Ann Branch	Rocky Branch	Mary Branch
Jun 26	Lebanon	Nickolas Isaiah Baker	Lannie Baker	Amanda Baker
Jul 15	Claremont	Jamie Nickole Barry	Jody Barry	Kearstine Barry
Jul 17	Claremont	Sylvanna Rose Landry	Richard Landry	Angela Landry
Jul 18	New London	Mackenzie Marie Godin	Jason Godin	Jaime Godin
Jul 18	Claremont	Lisa Marie Currier	Kenneth Currier	Amy Currier
Jul 20	Claremont	Rileigh Beth Frye	Jeffrey Frye	Heather Frye
Jul 25	Lebanon	Tyrese James Starkey	Robert Starkey	Crystal Starkey
Jul 26	Claremont	Kayla Marie Jensen	Robert Jensen	Jasmin Jensen
Jul 29	Newport	William Jonathan Watts	David Watts	Christine Watts
Aug 02	New London	Melanie Jean Watson	Jason Watson	Anita Watson
Aug 07	Lebanon	Grace Rochford Richardson	Kristian Richardson	Kelly Rochford
Aug 09	Concord	Hallie Nicole Andrews	Stanley Andrews	Katherine Andrews
Aug 11	Claremont	Jacinta Marie-Clare Hogan	Matthew Hogan	Catherine Hogan
Aug 14	New London	Joseph David Ackerman	David Ackerman	Danielle Ackerman
Sep 11	Claremont	Austin Prescott Noyes	Robert Noyes	Jamie Noyes
Sep 11	Claremont	Brian Patrick Noyes	Robert Noyes	Jamie Noyes
Sep 19	New London	Ayesha Marie Nezamabadi	Abbas Nezamabadi	Christine Nezamabadi
Sep 26	New London	Reilly Benjamin Avery	Jason Avery	Samantha Avery
Oct 01	Claremont	John Thomas Thibault	David Thibault	Deborah Thibault
Oct 03	New London	Jason Raymond Arthur Ames	John Ames	Beth Ames
Oct 06	New London	Logan Ryan Shepard	Wendell Shepard	Linda Shepard
Oct 07	New London	Cody Blake Crase	Charles Crase	Amanda Crase
Oc 15	Claremont	Charles Lee Ray	Robert Ray	Tracey Donth
Oct 23	Claremont	Victoria Alynn Burroughs	James Burroughs	Stacey Burroughs
Nov 13	Claremont	Steven Hunter West	Dale West	Sherry West



2001 RESIDENT BIRTH REPORT  
NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Birth Place</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name</u>	<u>Mother's Name</u>
Nov 14	New London	Blaise Alexander Edwards	Heath Edwards	Agatha Barreca
Nov 20	New London	Gabriel Logan Williams	Michael Williams	Nicole Earle
Nov 22	Claremont	Tyler Tyrese Sullivan	Danny Sullivan	Robin Sullivan
Nov 24	New London	Lucien Frederic Wright	Jesse Wright	Wendy Wood
Nov 30	Lebanon	Hayden Jerrald Patten	Cory Patten	Jody Patten
Dec 03	Claremont	Lacey Marie McNeel	Samuel McNeel	Danielle McNeel
Dec 21	New London	Madison Rebecca Hemingway	Chad Hemingway	Rebecca Hemingway
Dec 29	Lebanon	Matthew Edward Zajk	Joseph Zajk	Dawn Zajk

I hereby certify that the above are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, Karlene Stoddard, Town Clerk.

2001 RESIDENT MARRIAGE REPORT  
NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Name of Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Jan 01	Ernest L Brochu	Newport	Paulette M Brochu	Newport
Feb 14	Edmund Smith	Newport	Gail M Andress	Newport
Mar 02	Craig M Robertson	Newport	Holly A Davis	Newport
Mar 03	Michael B Denno	Newport	Rose M Armstrong	Newport
Apr 08	Alan A Willis	Newport	Elizabeth E McGaughey	Newport
Apr 28	James H Densmore	Newport	Cynthia R Mendyk	Newport
May 12	Jason L Godin	Newport	Jaime S Winterholer	Newport
May 19	Michael J Baker	Newport	Christine D Mead	Newport
May 25	Robert C Roberge	Newport	Tita C Casuco	Newport
May 26	Robert A Kimberley	Newport	Lisa R Ripley	Newport
Jun 02	Scott A Bentley	Newport	Kimberly L Dashner	Newport
Jun 07	Robert A Crotto	Newport	Shellie L Boynton	Newport
Jun 09	Adam R Olsen	Terrigel	Jodie A Byers	Newport
Jun 09	Bradley W Palmer	Newport	Maria S Stout	Newport
Jun 23	Charles L Westover	Newport	Terry L Temple	Newport
Jun 30	Joseph G Helie	Newport	Kathleen A Matz	Newport
Jul 07	Brian A Giguere	Newport	Linda Atcherson	Newport
Jul 07	Peter A Sucharzewski	Newport	Beverly A Muzzey	Newport
Jul 14	Joshua D Hoy	Newport	Sherrie A Martin	Newport
Jul 21	Stephen V Weaver	Newport	Kathleen Barry	Newport
Jul 21	Benji L Hamilton	Newport	Melanie J Gray	Newport
Jul 21	Justin R Merrill	Newport	Elise A Caldon	Newport
Jul 27	Ernest V Nelson	Newport	Teresa M Reed	Newport
Jul 28	Ryan W Hurd	Newport	Brandi R Fish	Newport
Aug 04	Christopher M Cameron	Newport	Angela D Mills	Newport
Aug 04	Paul R Johnson	Newport	Jill C Thompson	Newport
Sep 01	Alex Benson	Newport	Ellen M Bly	Newport
Sep 08	Mark S LaFrance	White River Jct, Vt	Elizabeth J Dinsmore	Newport



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NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Groom</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Name of Bride</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Sep 15	Howard L Lyman	Sunapee	Dorothy J Holmes	Newport
Sep 15	David L Merrill	Newport	Cathleen B Selig	Newport
Sep 22	Eric M Dion	Newport	Wendy S Boucher	Newport
Sep 22	Brian S Swanker	Newport	Betsy J Gorski	Newport
Sep 22	Kevin J Fowler	Newport	Angie L Robie	Newport
Sep 29	Todd E Matson	Newport	Sarah S Lawrence	Newport
Oct 13	Henry A Cossingham	Newport	Judy A Foley	Newport
Oct 20	Robert J Norris	Newport	Jennifer J Iacuzzi	Newport
Oct 21	Todd A Slocum	Newport	Tara E Churchill	Newport
Nov 10	Anthony W Kiblin	Newport	Kelly J Eastman	Newport
Dec 24	Carl E Dombroski	Newport	Amanda J Smith	Newport
Dec 27	Nhut Huynh	Newport	Tuyen N Kim	Newport

I hereby certify that the above are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief, Karlene Stoddard, Town Clerk.

2001 RESIDENT DEATH REPORT  
NEWPORT, NEW HAMPSHIRE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Deceased</u>	<u>Town of Death</u>	<u>Name of Father</u>	<u>Maiden Name of Mother</u>
Jan 03	Dolores R Putnam	Lebanon	Charles Putnam	Eleanor Welch
Jan 05	Anna S Reed	Newport	Joseph Pac	Stanasliva Unknown
Jan 07	Arthur C Gokas	Lebanon	Charles Gokas	Kitsa Psirras
Jan 28	Charles A Pockett	New London	Charles Pockett	Mary Stone
Jan 30	Devona M Wood	Lebanon	Cecil Doughty	Harriet Wallace
Jan 31	Hazel M Van Nostrand	Newport	Jerry Aldrich	Maude Hutchins
Feb 01	John F McCarthy	Newport	Daniel McCarthy	Mary Ann Driscoll
Feb 02	Eleanor M Peck	New London	Herbert Rockwell	Ethel Brown
Feb 02	Winnie E Colcord	Newport	Clarence Colcord	Jennie Rogers
Feb 04	Roy E Demond	Newport	Curtis Demond	Mae Staples
Feb 06	Harold W Thompson	Newport	Warner Thompson	Bertha Kimball
Feb 08	Robert C Smith	New London	Roy Smith	Clara Colby
Feb 15	Margaret M Walker	Unity	Joseph Bowker	Bertha Brown
Feb 20	Samuel F Shepard	Windsor, Vt	Frank Shepard	Sarah Wells
Feb 24	Beverly A Menard	Claremont	Harold Moran	Lena Couture
Feb 24	Yvonne M Lockwood	Lebanon	Napolean Perry	Amelia Greenwood
Mar 05	Leland A Whipple	Windsor, Vt	Leland Whipple	Mary Lewis
Mar 22	Ilmi S Graves	Newport	Louis Stenman	Aino Korpi
Mar 30	Nelson H Ellison	New London	John Ellison	Mary Langley
Apr 06	Mary J Couture	Newport	Oliver Granger	Yvonne Bilodeau
Apr 07	Thomas R Enos	Claremont	Manuel Enos	Rose Silvia
Apr 08	Thomas A Smart	Lebanon	George Smart	Myrtle Counter
Apr 14	Herbert A Motschman	Lebanon	Alfred Motschman	Mildred Simons
Apr 16	Clifford B Laclair	Newport	Guy Laclair	Ruth Murray
Apr 28	Lousie A Dunphy	Newport	George Johnson	Anna Fontaine
Apr 30	Gilbert C Rowe	Newport	Rial Rowe	Ester Perkins
May 02	Robert L Hanson	White River Jct, Vt	Robert Hanson	Marion King
May 03	Stanley W Miller	Lebanon	William Miller	Mary Forys



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May 06	William S Labier	New London	Benjamin Labier	Martha Merron
May 06	Kenneth J Strully	Newport	Unknown Strully	Unknown
May 15	Peggy L Lockwood	Newport	Stanley Waterman	Marion Richardson
May 20	Paul R StCyr	Claremont	Paul StCyr	Irene Santii
Jun 03	Aubrey A Wentzell	Claremont	Allison Wentzell	Louise Mailman
Jun 10	Mildred L Whalen	Newport	John Wescott	Julia Mills
Jun 15	Ida L Cilley	Claremont	James Hall	Gertrude Shippey
Jun 21	Vetelen L Wallace	Newport	Joseph Paradis	Minnie Brooks
Jun 25	Norris E Thornton	Lebanon	Herbert Thornton	Mary Sullivan
Jun 28	Glenna P Pierce	Newport	Ralph Hopps	Edyth Hartsorn
Jul 04	Delmar L Harding	Claremont	Floyd Harding	May Rice
Jul 22	Jeannine M Truell	Newport	Joseph Goyette	Beatrice Desrosiers
Jul 28	Russell A Ingalls	New London	Harold Ingalls	Dorothy Johnson
Aug 04	Fred H Darmstadt	Newport	Earnest Darmstadt	Sophie Emigholz
Aug 09	Madlon F Karr	Newport	John Pickett	Helen Farwell
Aug 15	Marlene E Rich	Newport	Karl Gustafson	Helen Hamlin
Aug 17	Rachael G Smith	Newport	Lucian Kemp	Bessie Green
Aug 18	Robert C Hale	Newport	Charles Hill	Katherine Drew
Aug 20	Goldie E Robertson	Newport	Charles Decato	Mary Ford
Sep 03	Dorothy C Dubuque	Newport	William Corron	Luella Fortune
Sep 04	Anne D Perra	Newport	Norman Denis	Eunice Thibault
Sep 07	Theresa M Diprimo	Newport	Antonio Zullo	Quincette Marro
Sep 08	Lena C West	New London	Dale Cole	Hazel Smith
Sep 10	Priscilla A Hill	New London	Roy Fiske	Margaret Bond
Sep 13	Austin P Noyes	Lebanon	Robert Noyes	Jamie Currie
Sep 17	Stancie S Collins	Newport	Michael Smith	Natalie Tiamchick
Sep 18	Victor J Charles	Newport	Richard Charles	Elizabeth McGarvey
Sep 19	Carlin D Huff	Lebanon	Harry Huff	Lottie Smith

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Sep 25	Bernice W Delgado	Newport	Anthony White	Alice Boise
Sep 29	Mary E Burrows	New London	Charles Rowell	Cecilia Farmer
Oct 01	Robert C Pitts	New London	Bert Pitts	Flora Sargent
Oct 17	Roger L Thomas	Keene	Henry Thomas	Emily Weeks
Oct 19	Mildred F Maxwell	New London	Oliver Brooks	Martha Corbett
Oct 28	Scott Z Barton	Newport	Benjamin Barton	Kathy Chapman
Nov 03	Richard A Albanese	Concord	Pasqualino Albanese	Wanda Curylo
Nov 10	Olive K Lovering	Newport	Guy Perkins	Maude Willard
Nov 11	Bernice A Cowie	New London	John O'Donald	Mary Kelly
Nov 11	John S Carson	Unity	Thomas Carson	Flora Osborne
Nov 12	Mary R Evans	Newport	Nelson Langley	Adlina Grenier
Nov 17	Marianne L Gilbert	Newport	George Lague	Unknown Chocquette
Nov 19	Dorothy B Bennett	New London	Joseph Dubuque	Marianne Ouellette
Nov 23	George G Clayton	Newport	Graham Clayton	Frances Booth
Dec 04	June B Johnson	Newport	Lafayette Pike	Emma Corey
Dec 07	Norma I Chisholm	Newport	Orson Nichols	Sadie Lambert
Dec 15	Helen E Ryan	New London	Orrin Clement	Alice MacGregor
Dec 15	Helen D Young	New London	Leonard Saunders	Jane Dearborn
Dec 21	Ethel M Haven	Derry	Henry Stevens	Myrtie Kelsey
Dec 23	Ida B Curtis	Claremont	Fred Curtis	Eva Sargent
Dec 23	Warren B Wheeler	Claremont	William Wheeler	Mildred Adams
Dec 25	Mark G Mosconas	Lebanon	Gerasimos Mosconas	Chrysoula Limberis
Dec 26	Sandra R Grantham	Claremont	William Harold	Ruth Adkins

I hereby certify that the above are correct , according to the best of my knowledge and belief, Karlene Stoddard, Town Clerk.



**2001 NEWPORT TOWN MEETING  
MAY 8, 2001**

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- Article 1. Elected Bennie Nelson & Gary Nichols Selectmen for three year terms.  
Article 2. Elected Louise Hastings Trustee of Trust Funds for a three year term.  
Article 3. Passed over this article concerning Pollard's Mill Road bridge  
Article 4. Voted \$348,000 for South Main Street Sewer Project.  
Article 5. Voted to sell any real estate acquired by Tax Collector's deed.  
Article 6. Voted to dispose of any surplus equipment and vehicles.  
Article 7. Voted to reaffirm the appointment of Newport Solid Waste Committee through May 31, 2003.  
  
Article 8. Voted to discontinue the maintenance of a section of Pearl Street.  
Article 9. Voted to adopt ordinance concerning Street Naming and Numbering.  
Article 10. Voted to approve the cost items of the collective bargaining agreement between Town and Police Union. \$33,719 for year 2001-2002 - \$33,019 for year 2002-2003.  
  
Article 11. Voted an operating budget of \$5,718,994.  
Article 12. Voted \$113,000 for Ambulance equipment.  
Article 13. Voted \$655,500 for Pollard's Mill Road Bridge.  
Article 14. Voted \$8,456 for upgrading drainage on Chandlers Mill Road.  
Article 15. Voted \$75,000 for Main Street Project.  
Article 16. Voted \$5,000 for development of new exit from Soccer/Softball Field on North Main Street.  
  
Article 17. Voted \$8,000 to investigate waste disposal options and costs by the Solid Waste Study Committee.  
  
Article 18. Voted \$102,676 for equipment for Water & Sewer Department.  
Article 19. Voted \$40,000 for acquisition of additional land and easements at Gilman Pond.  
Article 20. Voted \$88,915 for Sewer Projects.  
Article 21. Voted \$36,880 for Town Hall Renovations and Police Facility Projects.  
Article 22. Voted \$4,000 for Community Youth Advocate programs.  
Article 23. Voted to reaffirm the 1997 Town Meeting vote to withdraw from the Sullivan County Refuse Disposal District.  
  
Article 24. Voted \$300,000 for purchase of Fire Truck.  
Article 25. Voted to accept reports of and appoint any committees necessary to transact the business of the Town.

**Karlene W. Stoddard,  
Town Clerk**

Table DP-1. Profile of General Demographic Characteristics: 2000  
Geographic Area: Newport town, Sullivan County, New Hampshire  
[For information on confidentiality protection, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
Total population.....	6,269	100.0	HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
SEX AND AGE			Total population.....	6,269	100.0
Male.....	3,086	49.2	Hispanic or Latino (of any race).....	35	0.6
Female.....	3,183	50.8	Mexican.....	14	0.2
Under 5 years.....	398	6.3	Puerto Rican.....	7	0.1
5 to 9 years.....	509	8.1	Cuban.....	1	-
10 to 14 years.....	483	7.7	Other Hispanic or Latino.....	13	0.2
15 to 19 years.....	399	6.4	Not Hispanic or Latino.....	6,234	99.4
20 to 24 years.....	318	5.1	White alone.....	6,113	97.5
25 to 34 years.....	835	13.3	RELATIONSHIP		
35 to 44 years.....	998	15.9	Total population.....	6,269	100.0
45 to 54 years.....	847	13.5	In households.....	6,150	98.1
55 to 59 years.....	290	4.6	Householder.....	2,473	39.4
60 to 64 years.....	231	3.7	Spouse.....	1,264	20.2
65 to 74 years.....	500	8.0	Child.....	1,759	28.1
75 to 84 years.....	333	5.3	Own child under 18 years.....	1,475	23.5
85 years and over.....	128	2.0	Other relatives.....	213	3.4
Median age (years).....	37.1	(X)	Under 18 years.....	80	1.3
18 years and over.....	4,610	73.5	Nonrelatives.....	441	7.0
Male.....	2,162	34.5	Unmarried partner.....	225	3.6
Female.....	2,448	39.0	In group quarters.....	119	1.9
21 years and over.....	4,421	70.5	Institutionalized population.....	68	1.1
62 years and over.....	1,112	17.7	Noninstitutionalized population.....	51	0.8
65 years and over.....	961	15.3	HOUSEHOLD BY TYPE		
Male.....	403	6.4	Total households.....	2,473	100.0
Female.....	558	8.9	Family households (families).....	1,656	67.0
RACE			With own children under 18 years.....	788	31.9
One race.....	6,195	98.8	Married-couple family.....	1,264	51.1
White.....	6,144	98.0	With own children under 18 years.....	521	21.1
Black or African American.....	9	0.1	Female householder, no husband present.....	256	10.4
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	13	0.2	With own children under 18 years.....	175	7.1
Asian.....	22	0.4	Nonfamily households.....	817	33.0
Asian Indian.....	-	-	Householder living alone.....	636	25.7
Chinese.....	3	-	Householder 65 years and over.....	301	12.2
Filipino.....	2	-	Households with individuals under 18 years.....	870	35.2
Japanese.....	-	-	Households with individuals 65 years and over ..	652	26.4
Korean.....	5	0.1	Average household size.....	2.49	(X)
Vietnamese.....	2	-	Average family size.....	2.95	(X)
Other Asian <sup>1</sup> .....	10	0.2	HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	-	-	Total housing units.....	2,633	100.0
Native Hawaiian.....	-	-	Occupied housing units.....	2,473	93.9
Guamanian or Chamorro.....	-	-	Vacant housing units.....	160	6.1
Samoan.....	-	-	For seasonal, recreational, or		
Other Pacific Islander <sup>2</sup> .....	-	-	occasional use.....	46	1.7
Some other race.....	7	0.1	Homeowner vacancy rate (percent).....	1.1	(X)
Two or more races.....	74	1.2	Rental vacancy rate (percent).....	2.8	(X)
Race alone or in combination with one			HOUSING TENURE		
or more other races: <sup>3</sup>			Occupied housing units.....	2,473	100.0
White.....	6,215	99.1	Owner-occupied housing units.....	1,637	66.2
Black or African American.....	24	0.4	Renter-occupied housing units.....	836	33.8
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	60	1.0	Average household size of owner-occupied units.....	2.52	(X)
Asian.....	30	0.5	Average household size of renter-occupied units.....	2.42	(X)
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	1	-			
Some other race.....	20	0.3			

- Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.  
<sup>1</sup> Other Asian alone, or two or more Asian categories.  
<sup>2</sup> Other Pacific Islander alone, or two or more Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander categories.  
<sup>3</sup> In combination with one or more of the other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race  
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.



